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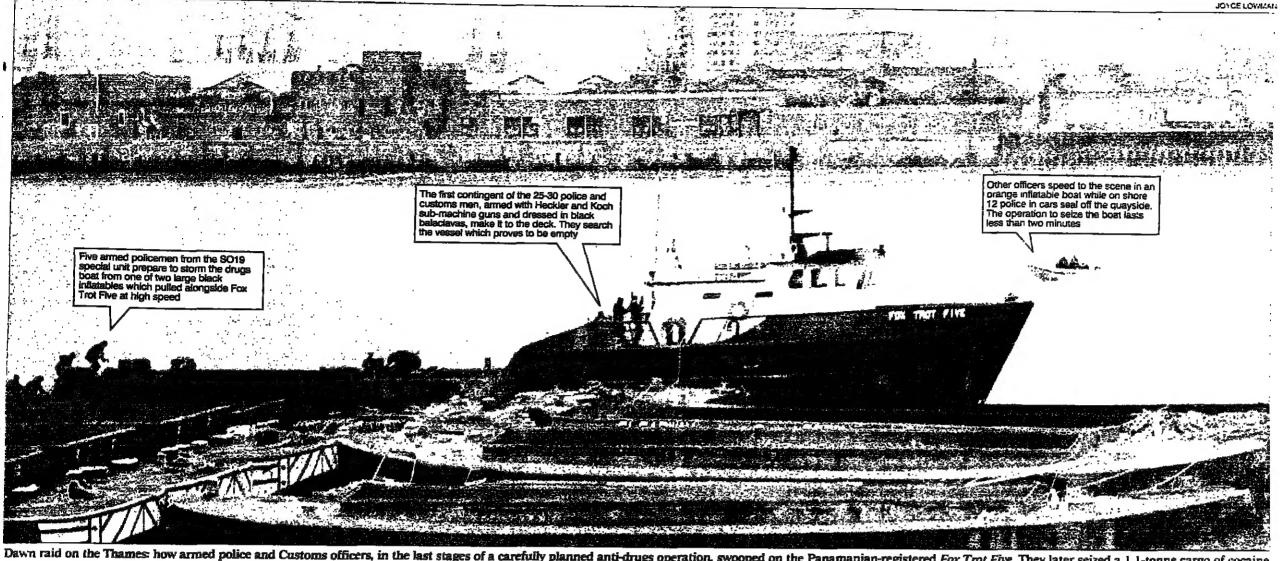
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# Armed and masked, police storm Thames vessel in £160m cocaine hunt



Dawn raid on the Thames: how armed police and Customs officers, in the last stages of a carefully planned anti-drugs operation, swooped on the Panamanian-registered Fox Trot Five. They

# Record haul in London drug raid

DETECTIVES and Customs tonnes of cocaine worth £160 million, the biggest drug haul cver made in Britain, after armed officers stormed an oil rig support vessel moored on the Thames a few miles down-

stream from Tower Bridge. The seizure is both the biggest cocaine cargo ever found in Britain and the most valuable single cache to be uncovered. American and South American investigators have been warning for more than a year that Britain could be targeted by the Colombian drug cartels, and seizures of cocaine this year now far outstrip the 1.5 tonnes found

Last night five Britons and a Spaniard were being questioned by Customs officers as forensic science experts worked on board the Fox Trot Fire, registered in Panama. which was seized after mooring on pontoons at Hope and Continued on page 3, col 1

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# EC proposes £50bn kickstart to recovery

By Tom Walker AND NICHOLAS WOOD

EUROPE needs to spend some £50 billion on big capital projects if it is to drag itself out of recession and overcome unemployment and social un-rest, EC finance ministers were told yesterday.

The money should go on building communications and transport networks, and the Community should start the ball rolling by contributing nearly 55 billion to a special investment fund, Henning Christophersen, the EC finance commissioner, told the meeting in Brussels.

Mr Christophersen said the money would be borrowed on international markets and he hoped that it would encourage a similar contribution from private interests. Member states could then borrow from the fund to bolster their own spending on capital projects.

The strategy for co-ordinated growth throughout the Community will now be put to EC leaders at their summit in Edinburgh next month. But the scale of Mr Christophersen's plans have taken Britain and Germany aback. Britain has indicated that it is in favour of promot-

■ The Edinburgh summit next month will have a massive package for beating the Europe-wide recession high on its agenda. But Britain has considerable doubts about the scale of the spending

ing growth, but Downing Street emphasised that it would not back billions of pounds of infrastructure spending and a British official Brussels accused Mr Christophersen of coming out with "back of the envelope figures that seem a bit of a mixup". Horst Kohler of Germany told fellow finance ministers that short-term capital spending would inevitably weigh heavily on public sector borrowing requirements and push back even further the goal of a single currency.

But Mr Christophersen countered that monetary union would be impossible without economic recovery and expansion. "We must send a positive signal to the international markets from Edinburgh," he said. "The summit will be important to kickstart the European economy."

He had the full backing of

Jacques Delors, the Commission president, who said that plans for co-ordinated growth should have been formulated when the boom of the Eighties began to cool. "Even now the plans are like repairs to a



The French finance minister, Michel Sapin, also supported the plan and said Paris would be coming out with its own strategy later in the week. Massive public spending plans are regarded as potential vote-winners for in the elections due in March.

wooden leg," he said. "The

limb does not come to life."

In London, officials said that the government was "not particularly enamoured" of M Delors' plans for infrastructure spending. Britain instead wanted to see a Europe-wide version of Norman Lamont's Autumn Statement - a policy of protecting capital projects while keeping within budgetary constraints and control-

ling public borrowing. Even before Mr Christophersen unveiled his propos-als. John Major had been concerned about M Delors' demands for a big increase in the Community budget and had wanted to keep all talk of Europe-wide spending off the Edinburgh agenda. Britain and other northern European Continued on page 2, col 8

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# Thousands in street protest over killings by neo-Nazis

and a ten-year-old child turned violent last night as stone-throwing left-wing youths clashed with riot police in the predominantly Turkish

Kreuzberg district of the city. Police reported that a number of officers were injured during scuffles with the demonstrators, many of whom wore balaclavas and belonged to the Turkish community which had been incensed by news of the killings.

Local leaders of the ethnic Turkish community issued pleas against the inflaming of

In the more fashionable Charlottenburg district of Berlin, several thousand people marched peacefully. Thou-sands of Germans also took part last night in anti-racism demonstrations in Hamburg and other cities after the murders of the ethnic Turks by suspected neo-Nazis. German politicians across the political spectrum denounced the killings. Helmut Kohl, the chancellor, said: "This is for every law-abiding and decent person in Germany a terrible experience. In fact, I can say it is a disgrace for our country."

Ankara accused the German authorities of not acting Leading article, page 17 decisively enough against rac-

uy anackeu were long-settled guest-workers. and that the girl killed was

born in Germany. The federal prosecutor, who has taken responsibility for the case from the state authorities. said that by accompanying

DEMONSTRATION in ist violence. The authorities in their calls to the police with the attackers showed that "their act was aimed at the restoration of a National Socialist

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VACHERON CONSTANTIN

# Heseltine tells of 'conflicting' interests in arms-to-Iraq case

By PHILIP WEBSTER, CHIEF POLITICAL CORRESPONDENT

BRITISH ministers and officials had to weigh "conflicting interests in changing cir-cumstances" in deciding how to interpret guidelines banning arms-related sales to Iraq, Michael Heseltine told MPs last night.

in what appeared to be a foretaste of the evidence to be given by the government to the Scott enquiry into the arms-to-Iraq affair, the president of the board of trade said that judgments had to be made about British jobs "in circumstances where other people in other nations were queuing up to fill those orders".

In a tense Commons debate, Robin Cook, the shadow

industry secretary, accused ministers of "stark naivety" in allowing the export of machine tools to equip Iraq. He said ministers had helped to arm a most brutal regimes and added that it was contemptible for the government "to dump the blame" on Alan Clark, the former defence and trade and industry minister.

He said the most controversial decisions were taken after Mr Clark left the DTI in July 1989. "That is the real crime of Alan Clark to this government: not that he participated in secret meetings to export arms to Saddam, not that he misled parliament, but that he let the cat out of the bag." Mr Heseltine was repeatedly pressed to say whether he knew, when signing a public interest immunity certificate to deny documents to the defence in the Matrix Churchill trial, that the three accused had been acting in accordance with government policy and that one had given information to the security services.

Mr Heseltine maintained that "the document I was asked to sign did not ask me to become involved in investigating or even understanding the nature of the prosecution". The legal advice to ministers was that there was no discretion about signing the

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# Government to fund Windsor restoration

BY ALAN HAMILTON

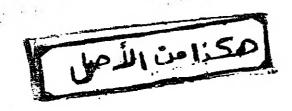
THE government is to meet the cost of restoring Windsor Castle in the face of continuing pressure from some Labour MPs to force the Oueen to contribute to a bill that is likely to come to tens of millions of pounds.

Peter Brooke, the national heritage secretary, told the Commons yesterday that resources would be provided to restore "this most precious and well-loved part of our national heritage", and that the fire-damaged section was essentially a public part of the castle and not the Queen's private apartments. The government has been responsible for the fabric of the world's largest and oldest continuous-

ly inhabited castle since 1831. A smiliar commitment was made by the government immediately after a serious fire damaged the state apartments at Hampton Court palace in 1986. That restoration, recently completed, cost iust over £10 million, but the Windsor project is likely to be

on a much greater scale.
Windsor is one of the Queen's official residences and the one she most regards as home. But it is also the nation's most-visited tourist Continued on page 3, col 5

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talks, as "a flurry". He did not want to consider

Stripped of Mr Hurd's un-

Yesterday's British initiative on the EC recession described in Whitehall with no hint of irony as a European version of the recent Autumn Statement - represents a

The prospects for Europe

and eastern Europe. No wonder that many Americans see a divided, inward looking and short-sighted Europe unable to face up to

suffered from his inability to see off his internal party critics over Maastricht.

The recent French and German criticisms of the British presidency primarily reflect local political pressures. But Mr Major has lost the initiative and he and Mr Hurd will have to be remarkably persuasive, and have some overdue luck, if the Edinburgh summit is to be more than a facesaving exercise which at best avoids open splits and keeps



# Trumpets sound to herald a burning issue

of priorities and a limited attention span, the chances of an issue reaching their notice which they understand, which is important and which interests them, all at once, are statisti-

First, yesterday, came a statement about Gatt it was important, they didn't understand it and they weren't

Last came the debate about Iraqi arms purchases: who knew what, when? It didn't matter, they didn't understand it but they were interested - intensely. But the second is

scored best. The Royal Fire. It wasn't important but they did understand it and they were interested. Oh boy.

were they interested! Rivetted, in fact. Patrick Cormack (C. Staffs S) arrived early and sat, motionless, arms akimbo, awaiting the statement with an expression of such profound personal concern that you might have thought it was his own kitchenette which had gone up in smoke. It is unknown for any

matter relating to ancient buildings, customs, castles, Canalettos or the residences of titled persons, to come before the House without the arrival within seconds of Mr Cormack, puffing slightly and huffing mightily, to offer an expert opinion. Such is his dedication to our national heritage that he might happily see all the unlisted parts of his Mid-lands constituency razed to the ground, if by this sacrifice he could save just one of

Her Majesty's bathroom curtains. He sat, now, gener-Michael Heseltine, presi-dent of the board of trade, said that for France to invoke the ous features frozen in grief, Luxembourg compromise on grounds of vital national interwaiting to speak. The heritage minister spoke first. We blame est and to prevent a settlement covering 108 countries, would be "redundant" in present Fergie," shouted an anony mous Labour backbenche as Peter Brooke rose to tell The next step would be for us what we already knew EC negotiators to reach a final about the fire. He added Gatt agreement in Geneva. that, whatever it cost, the The package would then go before the European Council it. This is such an unus of Ministers and be decided by statement from a Tory minualified majority voting. Britister that Lahour's Derek

before the end of its EC the moment and leapt to ask presidency at the end of the whether in that case the year. Later, Whitehall sources government would also resdid not rule out a decision at cue the Fritley Colliery Athletic Chib and the Grime-In a Commons statement thorpe Colliery Band. on the "excellent news" of the "People should not, er, become excited." breakthrough in the dispute between the United States and the EC, Mr Heseltine was

Enright (Hemsworth) seized

Brooke. Brooke's shadow, Ann Clwyd, seized the moment in her own way. This was one of her first major appearances as heritage spokes-

s MPs do not know man and she was determuch, have no sense mined to impress. She had mined to impress. She had spent the entire weekend swotting up her response. emed to go on for which se hours. Would the public enquiry? Had Sir John Garlick's report been acted on? What were the fire drills? Could she have a copy, with dates: Flad BS 5839, Code of

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practice on installation and servicing, been observed? limited if the fire had been put out at the beginning (we Couldn't the Crown Supp ers have given advice if they had not been abol-ished? Why were 12 part-time fareagen in Windsor

Windsorgate-style scand began to take shape. We there was a Mr Clywd and what would happen if he burned the toast at break made to check whether the toast was done? What if the curtains had caught fire!

n reply, the amisble Mr Brooke burbled away in conciliatory style — much indeed, as though he had just burnt the toast intervention from Window's Tory MP, Michael Trend who started his question with a reference to the good townspeople of Windsor". At this point we expected buglers to step forward,

Queen should pay. Mr Cormack sat down, his

Castle Cormack would still be blazing at dawn.

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But someth stepped forward. Mr Cormack. He had been deeply distressed, Madam Speaker,

hot-spots smouldering. As damage at Windsor, his whole frame seemed to quiver. Such was his condition. we thought, that should so much as a Cormack cufflink catch fire, and should (hearen forbid) his colleagues permit a moment's delay in calling the fire brigade, the blaze would quickly spread along the extensive Cormack facade to an entire wing of the ornate structure.

Irish poll gloom for

By EDWARD GORMAN IRELAND CORRESPONDENT

THE Irish election campaign reached its conclusion last night with a television debate between the leaders of the two biggest parties in the republic, both of whom are struggling for political survival.

For Albert Reynolds, the prime minister and leader of Fianna Fáil, the debate was seen as a last chance to regain ground lost in the first two weeks, which has put majority government all but beyond his reach in tomorrow's poll.

Mr Reynolds has fought a poor campaign and looks like being blamed by many voters who believe he caused an election that could have been avoided for at least a year. His future as Fianna Fail leader will be in doubt if it is forced

into another coalition. His debating opponent last night may face an equally bleak future. John Bruton, leader of Fine Gael, has been an ineffective leader and has seen his personal rating slump from a high of 42 per cent in April last year, six months after he took on the job, to 31

per cent this week. Fine Gael's fortunes are at a low ebb, indicating that there is no prospect of the party breaking through on its own. It is attracting just 25 per cent support, down from 27 per cent in the 1989 general election and 39 per cent in the 1982 election that led to a coalition government with Labour. With Fine Gael likely to win 50 seats, it should nevertheless have an important role in any new coalition, excluding Fianna Fail.

# **EC** wants £50bn kickstart

Continued from page! states are opposed to the M Delors budget plan, which would mean extra cash for Mediterranean countries such as Spain and Portugal, and sources in London yesterday said that a gulf had opened between the two sides that would be difficult to reconcile in time for the suminit.

But now, after strong criticism from the rest of the Community of the British presidency, Mr Major has accepted that economic development should be fully discussed in Edinburgh. Nevertheless, officials said that the economy was not Mr Major's top priority in his series of talks with other leaders in the nurup to the gathering. The priorities remained enlargement, subsidiarity, the single

market and future financing. Senior ministers conceded yesterday that the prime minister faces a daunting task in seeking to crown his presidency with any tangible achievements at Edinburgh. They were worned about the omens and identified disputes over Danish ratification of the Maastricht treaty and Community financing as the main stumbling blocks.

They were also concerned that French hostility to the Gatt deal on farm production and renewed turnoil inside the ERM could wreck the summit In a candid assessment of the pitfalls awaiting the prime minister, one source said it could turn out either as "Major saves the world" or Europe talls apart.

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Flaming row: a farmer burning the Union Jack at Valenciennes in northern France yesterday in protest at the deal agreed between America and the EC last week

# French pull back from a veto

FROM CHARLES BREMNER IN PARIS

AS French larmers staged angry protests against American interests yesterday, the Mitterrand government sig-nalled that it would try to defuse an EC crisis over agricultural trade by playing for time and seeking compensation within the Community.

While President Mitterrand continued to withold public comment on his country's isolated comosition to the Washington agreement, his ministers mixed tough rhetoric with suggestions of ways to avert a destructive French

Jean-Pierre Soisson, the agriculture minister, said France might ask its community partners to adjust the Common Agricultural Policy to benefit French farmers. He hoped this could be discussed at a meeting due to take place next week between Chancellor Kohl and M Mitterrand. He also called for an agriculture ministers' gathering next week and said that in the

meantime it would be a sign of weakness to brandish a veto. Dominique Strauss-Kahn, the industry and foreign trade minister, said last night that France now had several weeks to convince its partners of the need to take its interests into account. Any thought of a veto was "very far away for us at the moment", he said. "We must

manage to solve the problem Roland Dumas, the foreign minister, said France would vote on the farm agreement only when all other elements of a new Gatt deal on world trade were assembled. This could be after French parlia-mentary elections in March. by which time a government led by the conservative parties is expected to be in power.

Both these approaches could dilute the anger of the country's million farmers, a group with public sympathy and a record of violent

While officials speculated on escape routes, however, the pressure for a rapid veto increased. In half a dozen actions around the country, farmers drove their tractors to town centres and, in one case. a Coca-Cola bottling plant, and burned tyres and other American products.

A farmers' leader said outside the Coca-Cola plant at Grigny, a southern Paris suburb: "We want to show the government that this is the start of a very long series of demonstrations which, if nothing happens, will be more

Coca-Cola, like McDonald's and other American-owned firms, are pointing out that their French franchises are locally owned and sell French or European-grown products.

In Arles, farmers dumped tons of rice and at Limours, a dozen farmers attacked the house of Louis Mermaz, the former agriculture minister. and daubed it with insults. One farmers' union wants M Mermaz to be put on trial for agreeing to reform of the Common Agricultural Policy

# Hurd airs Maastricht doubt

By Sheila Gunn POLITICAL CORRESPONDENT

DOUGLAS Hurd, the foreign secretary, disclosed yesterday that the bill to ratify the Maastricht treaty might need to be changed to bring in possible concessions to the

Under questioning by the

Commons foreign affairs com-

mittee, Mr Hurd said that he did not foresee any change to the treaty, which has already been ratified by most European Community countries. But, for the first time, he admitted that the bill, which starts its committee stage scrutiny in the Commons next

week, might need to be

amended before it receives

GERMANY'S farmers' asso-

ciation yesterday denounced

the trade deal between Ameri-

ca and the EC, claiming that

the US "had won all along the

line". Germany has a large

oilseed harvest, which will be

The association's president

Constantin Baron Herreman.

said that it would consult

French and other EC farmers'

groups to see how it could

oppose the agreement, but he ruled out "militant action".

German farming could not

follow the American technique

of huge farms and "brutal ex-

ploitation of the soil", he said.

ister, Ignaz Kiechle, has

warned EC governments

against pushing through the

agreement in spite of French

opposition, saying that the

political consequences for the

development of Europe had to

Although he agreed to the

Germany's agriculture min-

cut under the agreement.

German farmers

denounce US pact

From Anatol Lieven in bonn

AND CHARLES BREMNER IN PARIS

Ministers have hinted for the first time that there may have to be amendments to the Maastricht bill before any agreement can be secured

roayl assent, to take account of Danish proposals. His surprise disclosure strengthens the case of the Euro-sceptics and the Labour leadership that the European Communities (Amendment) Bill should not go ahead until talks to help Denmark to ratify the treaty

are completed. The bill's third reading in the Commons has already been delayed until May, when the Danes might hold their second Maastricht referen-

compromise on behalf of

Germany, Herr Kiechle said

that he was unhappy about the

size of EC reductions in pro-

duction, especially in cheese.

He said that Germany would

try to make adjustments with-

in the bounds of the

French opposition to the

Gatt compromise, if it contin-

ues, could put the German

government in a difficult pos-

ition. Germany's manufactur-

ers are desperate for a world

trade agreement and have

become very critical of the

French, as have many politi-

cians of all parties in the Bun-

destag. On the other hand, a

serious solit with France

would undermine the most

important basis of German

foreign policy and of the EC-

a foundation that is more

important than ever to the EC

at a time when relations

between Germany and Brit-

ain are also under strain.

agreement.

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Major to Euro-sceptics. Mr Hurd was optimistic that a way would be found in the next two weeks to make concessions for the Danes that are legally binding but without requiring changes to the text of the treaty. He has called a conclave of EC foreign ministers, at which the Danish proposals will be top of the agenda, for December 8, four days before the Edinburgh EC

At the committee hearing on the agenda for the Edinburgh summit, Mr Hurd said that ideas for allowing the Danes to ratify the treaty without amending it would be circulated in early December.

Sir John Stanley. Conservative MP for Tonbridge and Malling, said that this was the first time that ministers had mentioned possible amendments to the bill before the Commons to satisfy the Danes. Mr Hurd said: "I was trying to be very cautious and not exclude amendments to the bill

"It does not follow that other member states would necessarily need to amend their ratifications." He said that there was a "reasonable chance" that the Danish prob-

lem would be solved. When questioned about the government's timetable for ratification, he stuck to earlier commitment to see that the Bill receives royal assent this session, which is not expected to end until October or November next year. He said he believed all EC states would eventually ratify the treaty on

closer European union. "My view is that the treaty will be ratified in the course of the next year and we will find a way of meeting the Danes." he said. "If I was a betting

man, I would bet on ratific tion next year." Other priorities for the Edinburgh summit included the Gatt world trade negotiations, completing the single internal market, future financing, enlargement of the Community, and openness

and subsidiari and subsidiarity.

Mr Hurd told MPs: "They are linked and, although the timetable at Edinburgh will be crowded, there is a general view in the Community that we must seek positive progress on all of them so that in 1993 in we will know pretty precise-ly how we will take them

forward." Mr Hurd was repeatedly challenged about interference in nation states by the Commission. He appealed for obectivity about the change in attitudes in Brussels.

A total of 75 pro-European Conservative backbench MPs joined forces last night to launch the Positive Europe group to counter the tactics of Tory Euro-sceptics.

Ray Whitney, MP for Wycombe, and the group's chairman, said: "The Eurosceptics have so far attracted dispropriate attention given that they are a small minority within the parliamentary party. We intend to correct this."

The group will urge the overnment to ensure that the bill ratifying the Maastricht treaty receives its third reading in May, regardless of whether the Danes have held their



Hurd: bill might need

### the overwhelming majority of French commercial and inbig parties dustrial interests, the successful outcome of the Gatt round is as much in the interests of France as it is of the rest of the Robin Cook, Labour's trade spokesman, said that France

would be a net beneficiary. He

urged Pans to accept the "Gatt

agreement in the round and

not judge it by the single issue

of farm subsidies".

Heseltine

presses

Gatt deal

BY NICHOLAS WOOD

POLITICAL CORRESPONDENT

BRITAIN yesterday warned France not to use its veto to

block the farm subsidies deal

that has deared the way to a

Gatt agreement on world

ain hoped that could be done

backed by Conservative and

Labour MPs as he urged Paris

to resist pressure from its 1.7 million farmers and approve a

deal as much in its own

interests as those of the rest of

"France relies, perhaps to

the extent of 5 per cent, on its

agricultural economy. There-

fore, from the point of view of

the world.

the Edinburgh summit.

circumstances.

# The trials and tribulations of a rational man

DOUGLAS Hurd is the epitome of the rational man confronting an irrational world - the man of office dedicated to keeping the show on the road whatever diversions there might be. At present, however, the disruptions are so many and varied that the direction has become

But, yesterday, John Major, Norman Lamont and Mr Hurd tried to provide a lead ahead of the European heads of government summit in Edinburgh in mid-December. Mr Major started his presummit tour of European capitals, Mr Lamont offered British proposals for an EC recovery plan, and Mr Hurd answered questions on the EC for 90 minutes from the Commons foreign affairs

Mr Hurd's evidence underlined how bogged down the British presidency has become. The government's original priorities - completing the single market, finalising a Gatt trade deal, agreeing a timetable for enlargement, re-

solving difficulties over future financing, ratifying Maas-tricht, plus putting substance into subsidiarity - were all sensible. But achieving each

The most he will concede is that somebody or some situation is tiresome. He described the bitter public row three weeks ago when Ray Mac-Sharry, the EC negotiator, resigned temporarily from the

the possibility that France might try to block Friday's farm deal with America. Any question of a veto did not arise at this stage: a final Gatt deal was still some weeks away, he

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derstandable euphemisms, agreement at Edinburgh is still a long way away. Clever lawyers are trying to find ways of meeting the concerns of the Danes in a legally binding way without changing the treaty. The effort was, Mr Hurd said, "condemned to succeed".

The Commission has produced ideas on subsidiarity to limit interference in national affairs, but these are not yet specific. In particular, a big gap remains over the future financing of the Community between northern European contributors and the mainly Mediterranean recipients. This links directly with the timing of the Community's enlargement.

marked change of approach.

It was primarily intended to head off calls for large-scale growth packages of the type suggested by Jacques Delors, president of the Commission. There will be no extra money from the EC budget, but rather expanded lending by the European Investment

are at present bleak. The exchange-rate mechanism is being pulled in every direction; economies are diverging rather than converging as recession deepens; the EC has stepped up sanctions against Serbia and expanded humanitarian aid to parts of the former Yugoslavia but has been unable to stop the killing; racial tensions and violence have increased sharply in many countries in face of a wave of new migrants and refugees; and economic difficulties have grown in central

the post-Cold war world on its

own. The British government cannot be blamed for all these difficulties. But Mr Major has

The concession he had to make, without consulting Mr Hurd, about delaying the Commons third reading until at least May and a second Danish referendum has compounded the impression of weakness created by sterling's withdrawal from the exchange-rate mechanism. Mr Hurd was yesterday noticeably uneasy about the

Maastricht alive

PETER RIDDELL

# Mob teams up with Colombian cartels

# Mafia poised to flood European cities with cocaine, say police

FROM DAVID ADAMS IN MIAMI

AMERICAN and European anti-drug officials believe the Italian Mafia is shifting its drug operations from the heroin trade to cocaine smuggling routes between South America and Europe.

Investigators say the Mafia has forged an alliance with the Colombian cocaine cartels to supply an expanding European market, in return for assisting the Colombians to break into the New York heroin market and to help them launder drug profits. At the same time, the Malia has reduced its own share of the US heroin market.

American anti-drug agents, who have spent years countering the spread of cocaine on their streets, say that Europe is in for a shock. They fear that seizures like that on the Thames yesterday could become far more common.

"I don't see how Europe is going to survive the Mafia-driven onslaught of cocaine," said Daniel Kingston, a special agent with the Miami

US has been flooded with record amounts of cocaine. Seizures of cocaine in the southeast of the country so far this year total 124,591lb, almost double the figure for 1991. "The US is samurated with cocaine. You are going to see a vast amount being diverted to Europe," said Mr Kingston.

Plans for European economic unity mean that border controls will be removed benext year. Experts say the Mafia is poised to exploit the opportunity to smuggle co-They are just sitting over there thinking about how much money they are going to make," said a foreign drug

Recent investigations have revealed Mafia-linked cocaine smuggling networks operat-Europe, often via Venezuela and the Caribbean. Most shipments arrive at Spanish ports, although some have been sent directly to Italy. Other cocaine shipments, not tied to the Mafia, have also

After yesterday's record cocaine haul in London, British and American anti-drug officials believe the end of European border controls next year spells an open door and huge profits for the Mafia

ness fronts in traditional Sicilian exports to launder drug profits. But experts say the Mafia is diversifying abroad, buying into casino and resort operations all over the Caribbean and in Spain. "Finally we are opening our eyes and we are able to see something that has existed for years," said



Galatolo: arrest linked

a European anti-drugs officer who closely monitors Mafia

The FBI has reported evidence of the Mafia exchanging Asian heroin for Colombian cocaine. The swap "takes advantage of the large price differential between Europe and America," said a 1992 FBI report on Italian Organised Crime. Cocaine sells in Europe for about 15 times its value in Colombia and more than three times

The Mafia's involvement in

family from Sicily moved to Venezuela, where police say they bought their way into elite society and built a multi-milion dollar empire launder-ing heroin proceeds for Italian

Malia groups back home. Experts estimate that 75 per cent of all Colombian cocaine is exported through neigh-bouring Venezuela. US drug intelligence analysts say the Cuntrera family handles most of the cocaine now passing through the country. The family smuggled heroin into the UK until 1985, when the ring was broken by police in a sting operation that caught Fran-cesco Di Carlo, the one-time Mafia boss in Britain.

Requests for their extradi-tion were made in the US and Italy, where charges were brought against the Cuntreras by Giovanni Falcone, the crusading anti-Mafia judge who was blown up with his wife and bodyguards in May.

The Venezuelan government, after ignoring the re-quests for years, suddenly deported Pasquale, Paolo and Gaspare Cuntrers to Italy in September. The first hard evidence of

direct contact between the Sicilian Mafia and the Colombian cartels came in 1989 when FBI agents persuaded Mafia drug dealer Joseph Cuffaro to turn informant Cuffaro confessed to having arranged a 1,300lb shipment of cocaine from Colombia to Sicily with John Galatolo, another Miami Mafia member who was arrested and ntenced to 45 years in jail in

"We think they made more than one shipment," said a drug officer involved in the Galatolo investigation. "We believe they were planning to turn Spain into a warehouse for distributing cocaine across Europe."

In January, seven Mafia figures involved with Galatolo will face trial in New York, including Joseph and Joe

# Windsor fire cause may stay a mystery

FIRE chiefs yesterday said that the cause of last Friday's never be established.

David Harper, Berkshire's deputy fire and emergency planning officer, who was in charge of the operation, said: before we know how the fire at Windsor Castle started. It is also possible the cause may never be pinpointed." He dismissed as specula-

tion suggestions that the fire had been started after inflammable liquid used to restore pictures in the Queen's pri-vate gallery had been ignited by a halogen lamp. Some newspaper reports yesterday said that white spirit was accidentally spilt onto a 250-watt bulb in the lamp, which had been brought in because during rewiring. The liquid was said to have burst into flames that quickly spread to tapestries and curtains, then crossed along the ceiling to St George's Hall.

Mr Harper said: "These suggestions are pure specula-tion. But we cannot rule out any cause yet. However, a great deal of work is still to be done before we can say anything authoritative."

Asked to comment on the efficiency of the castle's own fire brigade, which has re-cently lost two tenders, Mr Harper said: "We are saisfied they gained entry to the affected area and started tackling the blaze. They were first on the scene and they did remarkably well." Mr Harper said in his

report to the heritage secre-tary that his men had responded to the emergency call from the castle on Friday morning within eight min-utes. "An assessment had been made by the attending Berkshire firefighters and a request for further assistance was made by the officer-in-

He went on: "The rapidity of the fire spread was being assisted by the complicated, combustible nature of the building, its contents and also by the large, high-level ceiling void above St George's Hall."



# Brooke promises funds for castle

Continued from page 1 attraction outside London, with more than three million visitors a year passing through its gates to view, among its other attractions, the substantial part of the Royal Collection of paintings and works of art that was exhibited in the state apartments there until last week.

Buckingham Palace has already made it clear that restoration and repair of the contents of the fire-damaged apartments, being part of the Royal Collection, are already the responsibility of the Queen, who funds the care of the world's leading assemblage of art in private hands from her own resources and from entrance money at Windsor and the Queen's Gallery at Buckingham Palace. She is expected to continue the arrangement and fund the cleaning of those works damaged in the blaze. But

insufficient for some backbench MPs, who continued to call yesterday for the Queen to pay a proportion of the cost of restoring the building, a project which some estimates have put at £60 million, but which Mr Brooke indicated yesterday could not at this stage have a figure of ultimate cost attached to it.

Dennis Skinner, Labour MP for Bolsover, said during a heated Commons exchange vesterday that 90 per cent of the British public were against paying for the Wind-sor fire. He told William Waldegrave, MP, chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster, that the Queen should be made to pay. Mr Waldegrave retorted: "The level of your thoughts are about the same as the level of your actual language. The hearts of people in this country have

this tragedy." Ann Clwyd, Labour MP for Cynon Valley, told the House that Labour shared the "profound sense of loss" at the destruction of part of England's heritage, but regretted the failure of Mr Brooke to set up an enquiry into the cause of the fire and the lessons to be learnt. There was legitimate public concern

should not be paid exclusively by the taxpayer, she said. Labour demands for the Queen to pay a share of the reconstruction costs came shortly before the release of an opinion poll last night sug-gesting that the royal family do not give value for money. In a Harris poll for ITN's News At Ten, only one in five of the 1,077 questioned thought the monarchy and the royal family represented good value for money. Some 76 per cent said ways should

that the total cost of repair

61 per cent thought public financing should be extended only to the Queen, Queen Elizabeth the Queen Mother

and the Prince of Wales. Royal Berkshire fire brigade and palace officials yesterday dismissed as pure newspapers that the fire had been started by Viola Pernberton-Pigott, an art conservator employed by the Royal Collection who had been working near the fire's assumed starting point in the private chapel. Fire officials said they had not yet reached a conclusion on the cause.

Miss Pemberton-Pigott. who has worked for the collection since 1981, was at work at Windsor yesterday but declined to comment.

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# £160m haul in Thames raid

Continued from page I Anchor Lane in Charlton, south London, at dawn yester-day morning. About 20 other suspects were reported to have been questioned.

Other investigators were working at a warehouse in the Surrey Docks area where the cargo of drugs was driven by van. Police and customs officers broke into the warehouse by driving a mechanical digger at the doors and smashing

The boat is the second vessel held in three days. On Friday, customs officers and the Special Boat Service boarded another ship in the North Sea and discovered about 30 tons of cannabis in

with the London arrests. Yesterday, Det Chief Supt Derek Todd, deputy commander of the Number 9 regional crime squad which issunched the operation, said the cocaine seizure was the result of a sixmonth investigation which is part of a longer enquiry code-named operation Emerge. That is aimed at drug gangs in the south London criminal world and has already led to

Earlier this year, customs officers seized more than 900 kilograms of cocaine after it was landed in Britain.

al crime squad linked with customs investigators after

jackets. The two men have not

Earlier yesterday the

Padstow lifeboat crew, which had been searching with the assistance of two helicopter

crews, from RN Culdrose in Cornwall and RAF Chivenor

in Devon, recovered wreckage from their boat floating four

miles off Tintagel, 15 miles

along the coast. Force eight

gales gave gasts up to 50mph in the area yesterday. There was a force six southwesterly

within estuaries, said yester-

day that the two missing men

were not thought to have been

licensed and should therefore

have had to cross the bar and

John Hinchliffe, the har-

bour-master at Padstow, said:

They are experienced local

fishermen who know the estu-

go to sea to fish.

Fax Trot Five. Mr Todd said that Fax Trot Five took on the drug cargo at sea off the island of Aruba near Venezuela. Monitored by military aircraft, it was picked up approaching the Channel by long-range customs cutters using radar and special optical aids. Police and customs officers waited yesterday as the ship moored, the cargo of black plastic bags was unloaded and the crew came ashore. cannabis seizures. At 8.52am, police raided the warehouse in Surrey Canal

Two inflatable craft loaded Yesterday's operation began a month ago when the regionwith armed police from the Yard's specialist firearms unit and customs officers ap-proached and boarded For Trot Five on the Thames.

# called off after talks

TODAY'S all-out strike on London Underground was called off yesterday by the Rail, Maritime and Transport union after 25 hours of talks at

ground union, had ordered an indefinite strike of its 11,000 members over plans to cut more than 5,000 jobs. Man-agement had been preparing to run trains even if it proved impossible to collect fares.

# Tube strike

the conciliation service Acas. RMT, the biggest Under-

With both sides claiming

victory, the dispute over restructuring the service continues, and Jimmy Knapp, RMT's general secretary, said unrest next year. The union executive was told that manag-ers now accepted RMT's right

# Rescue teams fear

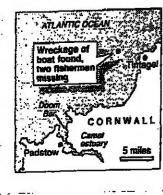
BY ROBIN YOUNG

fishermen are dead

RESCUE services seeking two missing fishermen reduced their search last night after finding the wreckage of their boat 15 miles from their home

Rescuers said there was little hope for the two men who set out on Sunday night from Padstow, Cornwall, in a 14ft open dinghy for a night-time fishing trip to Doom Bar across the Camel estuary. The alarm was raised early on Monday morning, when they did not return.

Their dinker-built wooden boat was powered by an outboard and is not thought to have carried flares or life-



# Cannabis case PC found not guilty

BY A STAFF REPORTER

ing to pervert the course of justice. An Old Bailey judge ruled that PC David Judd could no longer receive a fair

Judge Tyrer said his deci-sion was made partly because of an article in *The Times* by Bernard Levin, which was prejudicial, and also because of the delay in bringing the case to court.

on Sunday night.
Cliff rescue teams were last night continuing to search the shoreline. A fuller hunt for Rupert Taylor, 32, the alleged victim and a non-smokbodies will be resumed at low ing, teetotal churchgoer, said after the case yesterday that he was "disgusted with British tide today. The National Rivers Authority, which controls netting

He claimed that PC Judd racially abused him and planted cannabis on him after he was stopped in his car in Notting Hill, west London, in 1984. In 1986, he was found not guilty at Knightsbridge Crown Court of possessing cannabis and in 1989 a High Court jury awarded him

A POLICEMAN accused of planting cannabis on a black lay preacher who later won damages of £100,000 was acquitted yesterday of conspiring to pervert the course of the planting of the property of the planting of the property of the planting cannabis on a black from Notting Hill police station, was charged and stood trial at the Old Bailey in September this year. The jury failed to reach a decision and a retrial was ordered.

Yesterday, Judge Tyrer said the case had "simply stagnat-ed through the court process" and chances of a fair new trial were prejudiced because of the Times article by Bernard Levin on October 22, which said: "Shouldn't crooked policemen be sent on some sort of course with such a title as 'How to

Pick the Right Victim."

The judge said: "I am satisfied that the article, just a calendar month before this trial, is a matter which I can't in fairness ignore." The prosecution then of-

fered no evidence and PC Judd, of Ruislip, west London, was formally found not guilty. After the case, Chief Supt Ken Diccox of Thames Valley police, who investigated the complaint against PC Judd, confirmed it was unlikely that the officer would face disci-





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# Deadly danger of my little phoney

By KATE ALDERSON

PARENTS who are tempted by the deepening recession to buy cheap imitations of well known toys for Christmas were warned yesterday that some fakes could be potentially dangerous. A number of toys were displayed by the Association of London Authorities to demonstrate the dangers and to alert consumers to recommended safety markings.

Conor McAuley, the asso-ciation's environment spokesman, said: "Parents need to be extra careful buying toys for the Christmas stocking. The temptation in a recession is to buy cheap imitations of popular toys, but these could cost more in the long term if children are hurt by them.

"Reputable toys are improving in quality and reputable traders recognise the importance of safety," he added. "But there still remain the fly-by-night merchants who have little regard for quality or safety. They should be avoided for toy purchases."

Parents were told to buy toys from reputable traders and avoid buying toys such as a dangerous version of a baton-like "groan stick" which makes a noise when

waved. The quality version had safety markings, but the cheap imitation had loose parts that could fly off and take out a child's eye or choke an infant.

Other types of dangerous toys displayed included an egg with contents that could could choke a child, a furry rabbit with loose eyes, a oneinch "gremlin" which expands on contact with water, and counterfeit My Little Pony or Magic Troll dolls with long synthetic hair.

Chris Armstrong, the association's standards adviser. said: "Expanding toys can be easily swallowed and then expand in the stomach causing a major blockage. They are very dangerous and not suitable for children of any age. A few years ago a child died after choking on a hairball caused by inhaling the long hair of a My Little Pony fake."

Key safety markings in-clude BS 5665/EN 71, the CE mark and the Lion mark. If there is doubt about a particular toy, it can be reported to a local trading standards officer and if the goods do not comply with standards the sellers, distributors and manufacturers can



Hair raising: children can choke on toys with long, synthetic hair, such as this fake Magic Troll

# Religious conversion led to Sutcliffe's change of heart

# Ripper confesses to two more attacks

PETER Sutcliffe, the Yorkshire Ripper, has confessed to two unsolved attacks committed during the period when he was preying on women in and around West Yorkshire in the iate 1970s.

One, on a 14-year-old girl at Silsden, near Keighley, in August 1975, was carried out two months before the first of his killings. His victim took two years to recover fully after her skull was shattered by a claw hammer. The other attack was on a young Irish student in Bradford.

Despite the admissions the Director of Public Prosecutions, Barbara Mills QC, has decided it would not be in the public interest to bring charges. Sutcliffe, 46, is already serving 20 life sentences imposed at the Old Bailey in 1981 for 13 murders and

seven attempted killings. Until now, the former Bradford lorry driver has refused to accept the blame for any other attacks. His change of heart is thought to stem

**Barrister** 

jailed for

sex assault

A BARRISTER was jailed for two years by the Old Bailey yesterday for sexually assault-

ing his childminder while

under the influence of

marijuana.

from his recent religious conversion as a Jehovah's Witness. About six weeks ago, he agreed to see Keith Hellawell. an assistant chief constable with West Yorkshire police during the Ripper enquiry and now chief constable of Cleveland.

They have met several times since his conviction and Mr Hellawell has built up a bond of trust. When they met inside Broadmoor special hospital in Berkshire, where Sutcliffe is being treated for schizophrenia, he admitted attacking the Irish woman and assaulting Tracy Browne, a teenager from Shipley, in 1975. Miss Browne, now aged 31

and living at Cottingley near Bradford, said yesterday: "I was always convinced it was the Ripper who attacked me. I had forgotten all about what

happened. I had put it all behind me and got on with my life. I don't want to think about it any more." The attack happened as she

walked home from a disco to her family's remote moorland farm. Her mother Nora said: "The most vivid thing I remember was when she came through the front door. I thought someone had thrown a pot of red paint over her, but

'I put it behind me and got on with my life. I don't want to think about E







Confession: Sutcliffe, his confidant Keith Hellawell and his victim Tracy Browne

it wasn't, it was blood. It seems the Ripper had been disturbed as he was hitting her. They thought it was a claw harmer which was used.

"She suffered a fractured skull and there was a hole made in her skull." Surgeons had to perform an emergency operation to remove a sliver of bone from Miss Browne's

Detectives had played her daughter a tape of a man who made calls claiming to be the killer, but she did not recognise him. It was later shown to be a hoax. Stie also helped to make a photofit picture that looked very like Sutcliffe. After his arrest, police inter-

viewed Sutcliffe about the attack but he refused to admit it, challenging the officers to prove it. "We felt frustrated at the time." Mrs Browne said. "but we didn't think of taking any action. Our concern was for our daughter."

Her father Anthony, 68, said: "She has coped very well. There is nothing to show that she is any different than if this had not happened."

# Child cruelty enquiry blames council

young as six were smacked. had their hair pulled and were forced to eat regurgitated food at a council centre, an enquiry reported yesterday.

Lancashire County Council expressed deep regret over the findings of the investigation into Scotforth House, Lancaster, a centre for autistic pupils. Children were systematically ill-treated by staff. Louise Ellman, the leader of the

Ford: given suspended

sentence for cruelty

STEADY rainfall over the

past weeks has finally broken

the drought over southern

England. While nobody is

willing to declare the drought

over, the right kind of rain

falling in the right places has begun to replenish under-

Rivers are flowing, reser-

voirs filling up, and the soil,

dry at this time last year, is

now saturated. Only two areas

are now subject to controls,

according to the Water Ser-

The Cambridge Water

Company is still imposing a

hosepipe ban on 250,000

customers, while Sutton Water

Company in Surrey still bans

vices Association.

ground water supplies.

Christopher Wren, 39, attacked the woman, 30, after smoking the drug at his home council, apologised to parents in Blackheath, south London, on April 30. and children for the distress

Judge Charles QC told him: "You are a highly intelligent man. You have an excellent degree and you are well qualified. You are also well qualified to exercise restraint and responsibilities as a husband and father and an employer.
"You abused all those posit-

ions on this particular day with Miss X. You persisted in seeking sexual gratification contrary to her wish. You took advantage of her when she was employed in your home. She was entitled to expect protection from you, not

You showed no contrition at all, through your plea of not guilty, and made her relive her ghastly experience in the witness box. She has suffered nightmares and she feels she does not want another male person to touch her ... This was behaviour that was totally unacceptable. I wish I could see some alternative to impris-

onment, but there is none." Wren, who had been called to the Bar but worked as a shipping consultant, looked stunned as the jury, after a three and a half hour retirement, found him guilty of

indecent assault. The jury heard how Wren attacked the woman in his study and pulled off her trousers while their two daughters played in the garden. The woman had been employed by the Wrens for a year. Wren told the jury: We used to smoke grass together and we were very riendly. There was an obvious nagnetism between us."

A report into the ill-treatment of autistic children in a home run by Lancashire County Council has criticised systematic cruelty and incompetence, Ronald Faux writes

> nation of ill-treatment, inadequate supervision, the incompetence and insensitivity of some officers and failure to recognise the seriousness of

parents' concern. Mrs Eliman accepted the findings of the investigation conducted by Janet Smith QC. She said: "I deeply regret the incidences of ill-treatment and the failure of officers of the authority to investigate parents' complaints in a thorough

The report found that the adviser appointed to supervise Scotforth House had rarely visited the centre, did not observe teaching or meal times and did not meet staff or make any effective contribution to supervision. Primary responsibility for events at the centre from early 1987 to mid

Downpours quench the drought

By NIGEL HAWKES

ing sprinklers. Anglian Water and Southern Water, two of

the companies worst affected

by the drought, are encour-

aged. "The rain is starting to

make an impact." Anglian said. "Now we would like to

see it continue into spring."
Southern said that whar

happened for the rest of the

winter was important if sup-

Meteorological Office fig-

ures show that rainfall has

exceeded the 30-year average

since September 1 over most

of the country. In East Anglia,

it is 152 per cent of average; in

the South East, 107 per cent.

"Rain has fallen where it's

needed," the Water Services

plies were to be replenished.

caused, she said, by a combi- 1988 was that of Brenda Ford, the teacher in charge until her resignation in August 1988, but the failings of the advisory service had made an important contribution. In September last year,

Miss Ford was given an eightmonth suspended sentence for cruelty at Preston Crown Court and two of her staff, Mary Milnes and Maureen Robinson, were conditionally discharged after pleading guilty to one charge each of assaulting pupils. They have been suspended on full pay

Mrs Smith said the authority had been dilatory and inept in the way it handled the aftermath of the discovery that children had been ill-treated. "The history of events is a catalogue of errors. From the initial failure to appreciate the

needed was a wet autumn and

The National Rivers Au-

thority said that the soil was

saturated, ground water levels

were beginning to respond,

and river flow was close to or

above average. "To replenish

the ground water is going to take more than one winter," a

spokeswoman said. "We need

two wet winters before we can

The Met Office does not

make its 30-day forecasts

available, except to paying

customers, but expects this

week to continue wet, with

rainfall heaviest tomorrow

and on Thursday.

that's what we got."

seriousness of the reports and the depth of justifiable paren-tal concern, to the secretary of state's pronouncement three years later, the authority was acting unreasonably in refusing to tell parents what had happened to their children. Almost every stage reveals delay, inactivity and errors of

judgment."

The authority, she said, had taken a position which was both morally and logically untenable. She criticised failure to undertake a wide rang-ing enquiry into what had

The limited investigation arranged by Mark Ludlow, a senior council solicitor responsible for investigating the allegations, had been designed only to discover what disciplinary offences might have been committed by staff. The investigation was car-ried out in such an incompe-

tent and dilatory way, the report said, that 17 months elapsed before employees were brought to disciplinary hearings. The employee responsi-ble, she said, had made representations to colleagues which were "less than honest".

Mrs Smith said that Andrew Collier, the council's chief education officer, was a very able man who had been let down by a number of much less competent subordinates. She said that when the errors were discovered, genuine efforts were made to put matters right and that since early 1991 the provision at Scottorth House had been

excellent. Mrs Smith said that Miss Ford's management style had been old-fashioned and authoritarian.

The atmosphere had been tense and uncomfortable, not conducive to reducing the confusion, isolation and unhappiness of autistic children. Meal times were particularly depressing and some children might be shouted at and have food forced into their mouths which were then clamped shut to make them swallow.

# anti-women bias at Bar BY FRANCES GIBB LEGAL CORRESPONDENT

Study finds

THE shortage of women in the senior ranks of the Bar and the judiciary will be blamed on bias at all levels of the profession in a report today.

The report, which was commissioned jointly by the Bar and the Lord Chancellor's department, is expected to provide the first concrete evidence that women suffer discrimination at the Bar. The report, researched by TMS Consultants of Bournemouth is expected to call for radical action by the Bar and the Lord Chancellor's department to put matters right.

The report comes after a survey by Solicitors Journal, published yesterday, of 1,000 people across England and Wales, which found that 65 per cent agreed that "judges are out of touch with everyday life and everyday people" Nearly 80 per cent thought there should be more women judges. There are four women High Court judges out of 83 and one Court of Appeal judge out of 27 is a woman.

Most people felt judges were too old and 68 per cent said the retirement age for judges should be reduced from 75. About 47 per cent favoured retirement for judges at 65 and 23 per cent at 60. The Lord Chancellor is trying to lower the judicial reinement age to 70 via a parliamentary bill.

Marie Staunton, publishing editor of Solicitors Journal said: "The judiciary is too old. too male-dominated and too out of touch. The present secretive system of judicial appointments isn't producing judges whom the public are confident in. It is now time for a fair, open system which will produce judges who reflect the community and carry public

support."
The survey found people equally divided between those who had less faith in the police after recent miscarriages of justice and those whose confidence remained the same.

Both surveys will be of concern to Lord Taylor of Gosforth, the Lord Chief Justice, who is to give this year's Dimbleby Lecture, "The judiciary in the 1990s". Lord Taylor has vowed to restore public confidence in the judiciary in the statement of the confidence in the judiciary in the statement of the s ciary and to make judges appear more "user-friendly".

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BERNARD Levin, moved by

the fate of the 1980s pop duo

Bros, drew the moral in

now become as throw-away

If only it were true. In the early 1950s, when Mr Levin

was the same age as Bros are

now, popular singers had a

very short time at the top.

For example, Eve Boswell,

the Hungarian singer,

reached number nine in the

charts in the last week of

December 1955 with

"Pickin' a Chicken", but was

never to enter the charts

again. Similarly, Lita Roza

scored a great success with "How Much is That Doggy

in The Window?", reaching

as the soup carton.

# The way it isn t

1953. She achieved no further success until "Jinmy Unknown" scraped to Number 15 in March 1956 and then disappeared entirely.

And whatever became of The Big Ben Banjo Band. The Stargazers, Kitty Kallen and Perez Prado? Beside them, Bros have the permanence of Bach.

mers hogging the diving-board and refusing to leap. they stick around too long-much to the boredom of everyone else. Middle-aged gents such as Phil Collins. Elton John, Mick Jagger and Bob Dylan have shown that it is quite possible for pop star to be a viable career option, with career prospects substantially longer than one would enjoy in the armed services or as a newspaper editor.

Cliff Richard has had top ten hits in five separate decades. Alas, pop music's only justification lies in keeping up with unrelenting speed and disposability of fashion: the only sight grimmer than an impermanent

# Transplant patients share single liver

Surgeons split a single liver and transplanted the parts into a girl aged 3 and a man aged 25 yesterday. A medical team worked for 18 hours, shuttling between two hospitals, to perform the second dual operation of its kind in Britain.

The transplant surgery started on Sunday night when the liver was flown from Glasgow to Birmingham Children's Hospital. Both patients were close to death and the donor liver was the only one with the right tissue available. The girl from the Midlands, was later said to be in stable condition in intensive care.

The operation on the man at Queen Elizabeth Hospital Birmingham, was continuing last night. Transplant surgeons led by David Mayer and John Buckels used a technique performed only in emergencies, which has a 50 per cent success rate. If all goes well, the section of liver

grows inside the patient's body.

Dr James Neuberger, consultant physician at the Queen Elizabeth liver unit, said last night: "We were forced into this because both patients were hours from death and we could not afford to wait for another suitable donor."

# Accidents cut profits

British companies were warned yesterday that workplace accidents, in which nine people are killed and 400 badly injured every week, can cost them a third of their profus. The warnings were delivered at the launch of Workplace Health and Safety Week, in which it is hoped that at least 10 per cent of the workforce will be involved. Patrick McLoughlin. junior employment minister, said that apart from legal and moral arguments for preventing accidents, "most com-panies, even the best, suffer a real, continuous and hidden financial haemorrhage through accidents". Jim Hammer, chairman of the week's organising committee, said: "It is down to each individual to be more aware."

# Chess team expelled

A team playing under the World Chess Federation flag has been expelled from an important championship for the first time in the history of the game. The ban came at the European team chess championship, which began at the weekend in Debrecen, Hungary, attended by a team of grandmasters from the former Yugoslavia. After protests about their presence and their desire to play as Yugoslavia. the team was allowed to compete under the federation flag an unprecedented decision. The team won its first round match against Czechoslovakia, but protests from competing teams before the second round yesterday led to the team being expelled and its score cancelled.

# Damages reform urged

Fundamental changes to damages law, including a power for courts to order that accident victims receive compensation by instalments instead of in the traditional lump sum. are canvassed by the Law Commission in a working paper issed yesterday. The payment of damages by instalments, known as a structured settlement, is increasing and the paper, Structured Settlements and Interim and Provisional Damages, argues that "advantages clearly outweigh any disadvantages". It says that structured settlements, now entered into voluntarily by the victim and the defendant's insurer, can more effectively restore a victim to the position he would have been in but for an accident.

# Ford strike vote agreed

Unions at the Ford Motor Company are to ballot all 25,000 manual workers for authority to call an all-out strike. The action is in response to the threat of the first compulsory redundancies at Ford for more than two decades, and protest at plans to reduce payments to workers who are laid off because of weak demand for cars. Shop stewards agreed to call a postal ballot for an all out-strike, and action short of a strike, at a meeting in London yesterday. Jimmy Airlie. chief Ford negotiator of the Amalgamated Engineering and Electrical Union, said that Ford must be "insane" to seek a confrontation with the unions over job losses. "We hope at this late stage Ford will see sense and agree to talks."

# Unlawful killing verdict

Katie Rackliffe, a hairdresser, died from 27 wounds to her neck, chest and abdomen, some time after she was seen staggering in a drunken state from a nightchub on June 6, an inquest was told yesterday. Friends told the jury at Basingstoke, Hampshire, that Miss Rackliffe, 18, had tried no re-establish a love affair with her boy friend Metin Mustapha, 19. He told Andrew Bradley, the coroner, that he saw her at the nightclub in Cambel further contact. Det Chief He said he shipped away to avoid further contact. Det Chief Insp Andy Longman said extensive enquiries had been pursued and possible lines of enquiry remained. The jury returned a verdict of unlawful killing.

# Lincoln text sets record

A paragraph written by Abraham Lincoln and taken from a speech he made in 1865 has broken the record for an American manuscript at \$1.32 million (£868.421). The concluding section from the president's inaugural address had been written into the autograph album of a friend. It was bought at Christie's New York by the Los Angeles dealer Profiles in History. The manuscript has spent the past 40 years in a cabinet in a New York city apartment and was noticed by Christie's during the valuation of an estate.

Nissan wins award Nissan Motor yesterday became the first Japanese company to win Europe's Car of the Year Award, capturing the 1993 title with its British-made Micra mini car. The Micra, which is built at Washington, Tyne and Wear, was selected by an international jury of journalists which considered safety, comfort, performance, technical innovation and price competitiveness in reaching its decision. Flat's Cinquecento was second and Renault's Safrane was third, followed by the

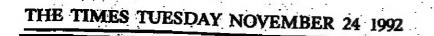
Mazda Xedos, the Mazda 626, and the Toyota Carina.

yesterday's Times that "we live in the disposable era", and that pop singers had



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said that in the two years

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them in Britain to see that

It now looked as if Britain

would have to pick up part of the bill, because £830 million

was still outstanding and

export credit guarantees had

been issued is respect of

exports to Iraq. "We did not

just arm his forces, we paid

for them into the bargain."

If ministers argued that they needed the trade, at least

that was a better defence than

the contemptible one of blam-

ing it all on Alan Clark, the

former trade and industry

minister, saying that they did

not know what he was up to.

that "he was sneaking in by the back door at night and taking decisions when the

rest of them had gone home".

But Mr Clark left the trade

and industry department in

1989 and the most controver-

sial decisions were taken after

he had left. Ministers were

trying to blame the one man

who had told the truth. He

had let the cat out of the bag.

this was that he was simply not told. Had Mr Major now

asked his officials why they

The Opposition had be-

lieved ministers when they

had said that Britain would

not export lethal or defence

equipment to Iraq. They now

linew that ministers knew

that the machines were not

general-purpose machine

tools but equipment that

would produce sophisticated

did not tell him?

John Major's defence in all

they worked.

Mr Cook said.

Mr Cook said.

made the weapons.

The shadow trade and

yesterday.

12,000 Scottish jobs go party's Scottish industry spokesman and MP for Cen-

tral Fife. Many of the 11.761 jobs lost in that period were in engineering, oil and construction. However, the survey also included the 3,500 redundancies announced on Thursday by the Royal Bank of Scotland, some of which will take place

at branches in England. The worst-hit areas were north-east Scotland and the central belt, according to

Labour's figures. Mr McLeish said: "Without doubt there are thousands more employees who were informed in the past 24 months that they too were the cies reported by the national victims of government's and regional press, were calculated by Henry McLeish, the soon be receiving their P45."

Heseltine fights back over Baghdad exports

# Saddam armed at British expense, Cook tells MPs

By OUR PARLIAMENTARY STAFF

### THE LABOUR MOTION

"This House notes the evidence that up to July 1990 the government was granting export licences defence equipment and munitions machines in clear breach of the Howe guidefines of 1985 pre-venting the export of equipment that would sig-nificantly enhance military capability; is con-cerned that as a result of the government's private

that Britain had not helped arm Saddam: deplores the willingness of the government to see citizens put on trial for ters had connived and to put their liberty at risk by attempting to prevent the disclosure of documents change of policy, British servicemen may have and believes that the con-duct of ministers in this been exposed to fire from shells and rockets made matter has been inconsis tent with the security of equipped by Britain; regrets that no statement British troops, with open government, and with the just administration of lewas made in Parliament or in public about the

and that MPs were persis-

tently misled by assur-

ances that the guidelines

clear breach of what the House had been assured.

The certificates of public interest immunity had been issued so that the contents of the documents they covered would not be disclosed. Mr Cook asked whether ministers could have persuaded themselves that they had act-ed honourably if the judge had not released the documents and the three businessmen had been jailed. "It is in the public interest for justice to be done, and justice would not have been done if these documents had not been

Michael Heseltine, the president of the board of trade, defended the govern-ment against Mr Cook's allegations by emphasising the the government was under at the time. A set of guidelines on sales was agreed in December 1984 and announced to the Commons in October 1985 by Sir Geoffrey Howe, the then foreign secretary. He emphasised that "by no means all our major competitors were so constrained".

He concentrated his attack on Mr Cook's repeated refer-



Cook: demanding answers from the government

# weapons. There had been a 'Slippery' answers attacked

By Jonathan Prynn

PADDY Ashdown has accused the prime minister of "an appalling dereliction of his responsibility" in claiming ignorance of the changes made to official guidelines on arms-related exports to Iraq

Mr Ashdown's strongly worded comments came in response to a letter from Mr Major. The Liberal Democrat leader had asked the prime minister to explain why the change in the guidelines had not been an-nounced to Parliament, In his letter. Mr Major claimed that he was "not a party" to discussions on the so-called Howe guidelines, which were changed after the 1988 ceasefire in the Iran-Iraq war. and "had no reason to know

about them". Mr Ashdown said the prime minister had failed to answer any of the questions he had asked about changes to the guidelines, "Instead he has fallen back on the oldest ministerial trick of answering a question I did not ask," Mr Ashdown said. "If the prime minister continues to respond

By OUR POLITICAL STAFF

NEARLY 12.000 jobs have

been lost in a wave of closures

in Scotland in the past five

months, according to figures

produced by the Labour party

Job losses north of the

border, in large companies

and small, were now running

at the rate of 600 a week, the

party said. The current total of

244,000 people unemployed

in Scotland could rise to more

than 300,000 with the future

of the big Rosyth naval dock-

vard now in the balance, it

based on surveys of redundan-

Labour's figures, which are



# 10 DOWNING STREET

'I was not a party to those decisions and

I had no reason to know about them' in this slippery way, he will not regain the confidence of the British people - and he will not deserve to."

In the letter to Mr Ashdown, Mr Major wrote that "the many issues about the guidelines and their interpretation which have been raised can only be answered" by Lord Justice Scott's enquiry into the circumstances of the traq exports. Mr responded by claiming that the prime minister was "stone-walling" and sheltering behind the Scott enquiry, adding that this was

"a disreputable position for British government." Both main opposition par-

minister of misleading the Commons by failing to announce the change in policy. The original 1985 guidelines banned the sale of "lethal equipment" that could prolong the war between Iran and Iraq. Downing Street admitted last week that this policy was relaxed in December 1988, allowing British firms, including Matrix Churchill, to export munitions-making machine tools

to Baghdad. In his letter Mr Major said that leaked official documents show that "machine tools continued to be considered case by case and by reference to their assessed

meeting chaired by Douglas Hurd, the foreign secretary, in July 1990, which had considered changing the ex-ports guidelines. Although the meeting made recommendations, no final decision had been taken and there had been no intention to make a statement to the Commons, as Mr Cook now demanded should have happened.

There were repeated discussions in Whitehall about the type of equipment that should be sold to Iraq, much of which had no military use at all. In a clear indication of the commercial consider-ations which weighed heavily with ministers at the time. he emphasised that there was conflicting interest and changing circumstances".

At that stage, Iraq was receiving arms from all over the world, including Japan, the US. Germany, France and Switzerland and Mr Heseltine emphasised repeatedly that Britain faced intense commercial pressures. Some contracts were turned down "but what ministers had to weigh were often conflicting interests in changing circumstances. In interpreting policy guidelines, judgments had to be made about British contracts for British factories, offering British jobs, in cir-cumstances where other people in other nations were queueing up to fill those

orders if we didn't." Mr Heseltine was asked by Menzies Campbell, the Liberal Democrat defence spokesman, and a further three times by Neil Kinnock, the former Labour leader, whether he had known that the defendants in the Matrix Churchill trial were acting in accord with government poli-cy and were providing "valu-able information to the security forces". Mr Heseltine refused to be drawn on the issue, claiming that these were matters for the Scott enquiry to investigate. "I believe it is essential that Lord Justice Scott should look at these matters and that is the only way the allegations

made can be adequately dealt with." Mr Heseltine said. The only decision he could ersonally make, Mi Heseltine added, was whether the legal advice given to him by the Attorney General gave him any discretion in whether to sign public interest immunity papers blocking the use of official documents in the trial.

The board of trade presi-dent attempted to deflect Labour attacks on the government's handling of the affair, with a sustained and angry denunciation of the "nauseating hypocrisy" of Mr Cook's

He was particularly critical of Mr Cook's comments quoted in newspaper reports yesterday that the outcome of the Scott enquiry "will de-pend on negotiations with Lord Justice Scott and the government". Mr Heseltine said Mr Cook had "smeared the judge of the court" with his "scandalous perfor-mance", but did not have the guts to withdraw the claim. Challenged twice by Mr. Heseltine to withdraw the accusation. Mr Cook responded by asking the gov-ernment to hold the enquiry in public if it truly believed it

had nothing to hide. Mr Cook's second act of hypocrisy, according to Mr Heseltine, was to suggest that in allowing the machine tool exports to Iraq, "the government set out to endanger British servicemen". The last Labour government had not blocked arms exports to Ar-gentina before the Falklands war, despite the Argentine government's poor human rights record. Mr Heseltine



Stapleford aerodrome in Essex yesterday to name the aircraft Africa's Children. It will be used by Save the

ty is feeding more than 30,000 children. Continued fighting and looting make overland travel too dangerous, and most aid is supplied by air. The fund-raising in the Isle of Man. Britain has this year given more than £27 million for Somali famine relief, in-

# Civil servants face harsh realities of market place

By Nicholas Wood, political correspondent

THE government's privatisation programme entered a phase yesterday with a pledge to transfer many traditional state activities to the private sector.

Foreshadowing a white paper tomorrow that will open up the jobs of some 40,000 civil servants to out-side competition. Stephen Dorrell, financial secretary to the Treasury, said that ministers had embarked on a "long aimed at cutting back the state to a much smaller core.

Increasingly, the govern-ment would withdraw from providing services to people. Instead, it would be a purchaser, buying services from the public and private sectors alike on behalf of the country.

Mr Dorrell's remarks signalled an important shift in the government's thinking

SWEEPING redundancies at

senior levels of the Labour

party organisation will be

delayed until December or

January while it is decided

how the job losses should be

A final report on how the

party is to cut spending by 30

per cent next year was to be

presented to the national exec-

utive tomorrow. a significant

number of job losses were

expected at the party's London

headquarters and at regional

Last month the NEC was

told that more than half its

committees would be abol-

ished and they would only be

able to meet once every two months instead of monthly. It

was also speculated that up to

one in three of the party's 120 headquarters staff would be

made redundant by the mid-

It is now clear that the final

dle of this month.

offices.

**Labour postpones** 

its redundancies

By JILL SHERMAN, POLITICAL CORRESPONDENT

about the way it spends some £250 billion of taxpayers' money every year. Ministers are intent on building on the purchaser/provider split at the heart of the NHS reforms. Tomorrow William Waldegrave, the public services minister, will flesh out the new approach by announcing a expansion of contracting

be restricted to buying most of their care from the public sector. However, in other parts of the public services, such politically inspired curbs

would no longer apply.
"We are initiating a new review of the activities of government to develop the successful privatisation pro-

report will be postponed until

the NEC meeting on Decem-

ber 16, or later, as the finance

working party is nowhere near

reaching conclusions on how

Members have agreed that London and regional offices

should bear the brunt of the

cuts, but there is also concern

that there are not enough

Members of the working

party are pressing for an expansion of staff at local level

as part of a drive to reform the

top-heavy organisation and to

ensure that the party can

recruit more effectively and

The working party has al-

ready made clear to staff

representatives that it will try

to ensure that activities are cut

at the same rate as staff so that

the remaining workforce will

not have to take on a much

greater workload.

campaign on key areas.

the cuts will be shared.

constituency workers.

every department of state we government?"

out of civil service jobs. Yesterday, Mr Dorrell was careful to say that in the NHS difference between purchas-

gramme of the last decade ... Ministers have decided that in

must apply the back-to-basics test to every activity of government." he said. "The conventional question was 'what can we sell? That question must now be turned on its head. Now we ask ourselves 'what must we keep? What is the inescapable core

The upshot of such a review would be to sharpen the The electorate could expect the government to secure the provision of a range of social and other services. But it did not follow that the state had to deliver all those services itself. "Public sector providers will find their services tested against alternatives available in the private sector," he said.

Mr Waldegrave's white paper will increase 50-fold the amount of "market testing" of Whitehall activities, such as legal and secretarial work. accountancy and computing. Private firms will be invited to tender for contracts worth £1.5 billion, and in-house staff will be encouraged to form teams to compete against them. Ministers believe the move could save about 25 per cent,

or £400 million of the total bill. Mr Dorrell's remarks to a meeting organised by the Centre for Policy Studies, a Conservative think-tank, were a clear signal that other branches of the civil service would eventually be put out to

tender. ☐ The citizen's charter's "formidable catalogue of progress in the past year will be seen in tomorrow's white paper, Mr Waldegrave, the minister responsible for the charter, told MPs. He faced accusations from Labour that the charter had been a cosmetic exercise, a sham and "more of a farce

than an asset to consumers". In response to MPs' demands for assurances that British Rail would not be allowed to scale down its passenger's charter targets on punctuality. Mr Waldegrave insisted that the "presumption is that standards should rise."

# AROUND THE LOBBY

# **Councils** to set limits

Local authorities are to be given greater powers to impose speed limits. John MacGregor, the transport secretary, announced at question time. Councils will no longer have to apply to the secretary of state before imposing a limit.

New criteria will mean that councils will give more weight to environmental considerations and will not have to prove a poor acti-dent record before imposing a limit

## BR delay

Government plans to award the first passenger franchise to a private sector rail operator by April 1994 are likely to be delayed by several months because of the pressure of parliamentary business. John MacGregor, the transport secretary, said yesterday. The bill paving the way for the breakup and sale of the rail network, which was due to go before the Commons later this month, will now be delayed until the new year.

## MP ill

Tom Clarke, the shadow Scottish secretary, is to take a two-month break because of ill health. He has stepped down from his duties until mid-January to recuperate from "a recurring viral infection". Mr Clarke's front-bench duties will be covered by Henry McLeish, shadow Scottish industry spokes-man and MP for Fife

# City aid

The government will be pressed today by John Greenway. Tory MP for Ryedale and chairman of the all-party insurance and financial services group, to help underwrite insurance for City buildings and businesses particularly at risk from terrorist attack.

# Timetable

It will take about 53 months to build the Jubilee line extension to he London Underground once work starts, Steven Norris, London's transport minister, said in a written

## In Parliament

Commons (2.30): Questions: defence, prime minister. Debate on EC budget. Lords (2.30): European economic area bill, third

reading. Sea fish (conser-

vation) bill, report.

Scrivener: bill creates a

# MPs hope for a rethink on asylum bill By ARTHUR LEATHLEY

ONE of the most contentious clauses of the asylum and immigration bill, covering compulsory fingerprinting of asylum seekers, may be amended. Charles Wardle the Home Office minister, is considering concessions on fingerprint testing in response to

demands from MPs of all parties. Tory back benchers serving on the bill's Commons standing committee have called for the rules to be eased for applicants under the age of 18.

Although Mr Wardle has ruled out the possibility of exempting minors, committee members have been encouraged by his assurance that he will consider a clause change to ensure that minors are accompanied by an independent adult when being tested. Robert Maclennan, the Liberal Democrat home affairs spokesman, asked

for the amendment to apply to those under 18, although it is more likely that any alteration will cover those up

to the age of 16. The minister will also consider tightening up the wording of the bill on the categories of people allowed to conduct the tests. The wording may be amended to specify Home Office civil servants. The government sees fingerprinting as a key step in preventing asylum seekers making multiple

applications. Labour MPs yesterday took the rare step of setting up their own "rebel" special standing committee on the bill, inviting independent witnesses to give evidence on the bill, which is aimed at curbing the numbers seeking asylum in Britain. Opposition MPs are annoyed that the government has not set up a special committee in advance of the main committee, a procedure stage.

sometimes introduced for contentious

legislation. Anthony Scrivener QC; former chairman of the Bar Council, was one of those who gave evidence. He accused the government, through removing the right of appeal for some asylum seekers, of creating a unique situation in British law under which immigration officers' decisions could not be questioned. "I can't think of any judge in the country who has never had a successful appeal against a decision. Everyone makes

Graham Allen, Labour's home affairs spokesman who called the spe-cial meeting, said: "The government should have allowed the special standing committee to go ahead so we could concentrate on the important issues during the standing committee



"unique situation" in law

# Scheme will be a success when television soap characters are itching to achieve an NVQ, says Shephard

# Agenda set for training the nation

BY NICHOLAS WATT

enthusiasm for

training in the

secretary in April.

She agrees that the alphabet soup of acronyms for her department's training schemes is largely unknown. But she believes the government has now laid the right framework for creating a skills revolution to enable Britain to match its competitors.

She says she will measure her success by the number of characters

in television soap op-eras itching to achieve a National Vocational Qualification, the skills-based awards. "Until you get someone in EastEnders wanting to get an NVQ and everyone who watches East-Enders understanding what is meant, we shall not have succeeded," she said. "We have got to put a lot more effort into it." After Mrs Shephard had turned to a soap opera for inspiration. she was disconcented to meet a senior businessman who had never heard of an-

projects, the investors in People scheme that Gillian Shephard aims to have 6,000 companies training their workforces by 1996.

workforces by 1996.

"He has certainly heard of the scheme now. But I regard it as a failure on my part and my department's part that he hadn't heard of IIP. It should trip off his tongue."

Despite her admission, Mrs Shephard rejected TUC claims that few companies had signed up for IIP and that she would have in HP and that she would have to companies have signed up, 1,300

A MUDDLE is Gillian Shephard's description of the training and education system she inherited when she became employment secretary in April.

She agrees that the alphabet 2,000 to 3,000 come on stream and the property of the page.

next year, we will be well on the way to achieving that target."

To people who soom Britain's training and who idealise Germany and Japan, Mrs Shephard says that Britain has made great progress in the rest fire were great progress in the past five years. She says it now does many things better than Germany. "There is a greater enthusiasm in

this country for workplace training than in Germany or France and a greater accep-tance that it is a good thing," she says. "In the last five years, we've got 2.5 million. more people with A levels, we've also got 2 million more people in the workforce who are qualified at A level or above than we had five years ago. Something like three quar-ters of the workforce now has a qualifi-cation." The right framework in educa-

tion was at last in workplace than its place. Mrs Shephard sympathised with shephard young unemployed people who told The Times that they had been poorly advised by careers officers before leaving school at 16. A former careers officer herself, she agreed the present system was flawed and said that she was piloting the trade union and em-

> Commons to redress weaknesses. "Many people in the careers service want greater freedom to do more assessment when people are younger. We can't do that with the structure as it is," she said.



# Firms pay millions to bridge skills gap

THE blonde head of Yolande Beaumont bobbed between oncoming cars as she wielded her electric screwdriver like a seasoned cowboy with a six-gun. Around her, veteran Japanese car workers nodded approval as she tackled half-completed Toyotas with relish

and a hige grin.

Japanese training has turned Miss Beaumout from an NHS nurse into a leader of an elite band of workers who will start up car assembly lines for Toyota at Burnaston, Derbyshire, next month. Toyota says she is an ideal recruit: unskilled as a factory worker, but able to learn and adapt ployment rights bill through the

under its training system.

The gap in skills is overcome by the kind of intensive in-house training with which a government scheme could not compete. She By Kevin Eason, motoring correspondent

was sent to work on Toyota assembly lines in Japan and the United States to learn every faces of car assembly. Now Miss Beaumont, 25, is a team leader, passing on her skills to hundreds of other workers in a £7.2 million scheme to prepare 1,500 workers in time for the first Toyota cars to roll off the Derbyshire line on December 16.

Miss Beaumont's training is far removed from any given to job-seekers going through government training schemes. Car companies demand adaptability from staff able to deal with different jobs— and their training never stops.

Rover, for instance, calculates that 10,000 of its 34,000 workers are in training courses at any one time because the pace of techno-

traditional job of an electrician to fitter or welder." logical change is now so rapid. The Rover Learning Business costs the company about £120 million a

Barrie Oxtoby, learning development manager at Rover, said: "Government schemes are too general and there is a huge lag between what they provide and what industry requires. It is out of synch with our requirements.

We need government officials to get their coats off and to come and see what we do so that they have a better idea of the people and the training we need. The motor industry's needs have moved on from trying to recruit specific skills. Even the highest skilled mainte-nance men must now be able to cover a range of crafts, from the

The decision to "go it alone" extends to the need to find the best brains for design and engineering. Rover is one of a number of motor firms that sponsor courses at Warwick University to produce people skilled in computer-aided design and engineering. Rover also gives workers £100 a

year to spend on any training course they like, from foreign languages to livestock husbandry. Mr Oxtoby said: "There is always this idea that training is somehow remedial, that they are trained because they were not good

"But we regard the idea of continuous learning as important, which is why we have the employee assisted learning scheme."

# Japanese demand quality

BY NICHOLAS WAJT

JAPANESE companies in Britain have been so frustrated by poorly trained workers that they have insisted colleges which provide new recruits must improve syllabuses.

They complain of a lackiustre attitude among workers, particularly supervisors, who fail to anticipate problems on the factory floor. In Japan, machines are checked regularly and adjusted before they break down. This anticipatory system is alien to Britain.

Noriko Hama, of Mitsubishi Research, dismisses British train-ing, "Japanese businesses had to start from scratch to teach their workers here to revere the consumer," she said. "The Japanese found it difficult to convince their British workers that the consumer was God and should be offered a fragrant offering. The British are very much happy to settle for second best both in terms of skills

and what the consumer expects.
"The British consumer is a longsuffering species that is willing to take what is offered. During the Industrial Revolution, Britain was streets ahead of the rest of the world but now history is turning against

Japan and Germany remained at the pinnacle of training and could teach Britain a great deal, she said. "Britain really does not count on this issue. In Japan, training is rigorous and fresh recruits learn about every facet of the company. Britain could do well to follow this notion that every single person is aware of every single aspect of their

Alan Smithers, head of the Centre for Education and Employ-ment Research at Manchester University, says Britain seems oblivious to Japanese achievements and unable to learn from their expertise. "In the Pacific Rim, youngsters have an excellent grasp of maths and electronics.

"If we are not careful we could be reduced to a third division power booing from the sidelines at clever Orientals who don't play a fair game. It is as if we prefer to live in honourable poverty," he said.

Research has shown that two

thirds of the British workforce lacks vocational qualifications, compared with a quarter in Germany.



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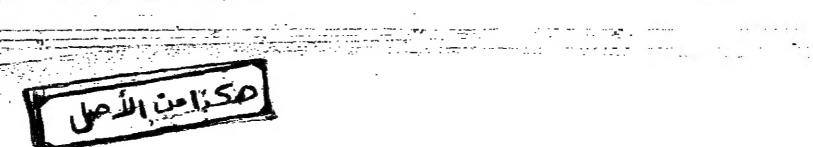
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# Jordan's prince of peace unfurls the banner of reason



Hassan: little patience

CROWN Prince Hassan, the heir to the throne of Jordan, represents a new generation Middle Eastern leader anxious to transform the

A fluent speaker of Hebrew an outspoken critic of Arab dictators and a near contemporary of Bill Clinton's at Oxford, the prince was reluctantly thrust under the spotlight after King Husain, his elder brother, was confirmed to have cancer. But he has refused to curb his undiplomatic bluntness or his belief that Jews and Arabs should live side by side with the same harmony as the Scandinavian

"I have never forgotten the integrity with which I was treated by my (Jewish) professors at Oxford in those awful months leading up to the

The heir to the throne has the will to unite a nation divided between East Bank Arabs and Palestinians, writes Christopher Walker from Amman

an unkind word, never an accusation, never a parochial influence of any kind. I respected that and we remain

The prince is aware that some members of what he terms dismissively "Jordan's chattering classes" do not think he has the charisma to bind together a nation divided between Palestinians and East Bank Arabs. He knows, too, that he enjoys strong support in the army and the

"I do not know what I have to do to get it right," he said of remarks levelled against him

personal challenge to Presi-

dent Saddam Hussein and a

halt Jordan's move to distance

America, the king openly named Iraq in his appeal for

reform. In his previous ad-

dress he alluded only indirect-

Arab people, wherever they

may be. What we wish for is a

brethren." His call was seen by

mands for Jordan to allow

step up his attempts to realign

Jordan after fierce criticism of

been complicated because it

still depends on the import of

60,000 barrels of Iraqi oil a

day sent across the border at

no charge technically as pay-ment of outstanding debts.

the first time since granting an

amnesty to two pro-Islamic

hard labour for plotting to

overthrow the monarchy and

replace it with an Iranian-style

republic. Declaring that "we

remain perfectly capable of

facing up to waywardness and

conspiracy, the king denied

his decision to free the plotters

'We know well how to

distinguish between good and evil, and realise full well that

our attitude of decency reflects

compassion, not weakness,

and stems from noble mind-

edness, not apprehension," he

was a sign of defeatism.

The king was speaking for

from its soil.

ly to Saddam's "tyranny".

by those who regard his approach as too intellectual and aloof. "Maybe just do more of the same and be more accessible to people to explain. not myself, but what I am trying to achieve."

The increasing flow of visito that of the king, who has ruled for the past 40 years, is confronted by a witty, well read - quotes from Shakespeare are dropped effortless-ly - man of 45. His main fault in the eyes of critics is that he is over-educated for the role chosen for him. His great problem is that

in pace with interim Palestinian self-government."
At the Guildhall in London on Thursday, he will stand in for King Husain in delivering the annual Winston Churchill address to the English Speaking Union. Some MPs tried but failed to blackball the

invitation, angered that such

an honour should go to the

Islamic extremists and Pales-

tinian radicals who pose the

main threat to Jordan's stabil-

ity. "I think all this business

about the talks have been

fruitful' or 'have been fruitless'

is a fruitless exercise in itself,"

he said of speculation that

Jordan and Israel are close to

signing a Camp David-style

peace treaty. "I think we are

really close to an agenda, but

an agenda which will march

his rational approach to the representative of a country 44-year Arab-Israeli conflict may fail to win over the the Gulf war. "The host [Lord Pym) told them that not everyone in the audience has to share the view of the speaker," the prince said. "I shall be looking at the Hashemites' relationship with Britain. We have come a long way since the Gulf war to put Jordan back on the map and the speech will be another step in that direction."

Asked to reconcile Jordan's recent distancing from Iraq with the special treatment iven here to Tariq Aziz. Iraq's deputy prime minister, en route to lobby the United Nations yesterdayto end sanctions, the prince emitted one of his characteristic thunderous guffaws. "I share your confusion," he said with a candour rarely heard from Arab leaders. "Iraqi officials pass through Amman to go to New York, yet at the same time we are saying to the Iraqis publicly and privately that evolution is necessary to their stability and the stability of the region."

Prince Hassan is a technocrat, impatient with the Arab bureaucracy holding up his attempts to boost Jordan's economy. He shares a love of polo with the Prince of Wales. whom he admires, and with his Harrovian accent and dressed in an impeccably tailored suit he appears to some more at home around a high table than in a bedouin

He dismissed rumours in Amman about the seriousness of the king's iliness as "specu-lative and harmful". The prince said it was not personal ambition that had placed him ahead of his elder brother.

sons by different marriages as next in line for the Arab world's most delicately balanced throne.

There is an Arabic expression 'He who seeks authority does not have it invested in him' and I was not the one who sought authoriay in the first place." he said as his Australian secretary took notes. "I was an undergraduate in my first year at Oxford when I was called back and appointed/elected crown prince by act of parliament and his majesty's delegation.
"I do not believe in Olympian concepts of the man in

charge, and that is exactly what His Majesty meant when he said [in a televised speech to the nation on November 5] that we have to end absolutism and totalitarianism in the region.

# Husain throws down democratic challenge to dictator of Iraq

Husain's call for pluralism in Iraq was another step away from his Gulf war stance. But Jordan is still dependent on Baghdad's oil

> FROM CHRISTOPHER WALKER IN AMMAN the democratisation begun

KING Husain of Jordan, who recently legalised political parties after a 36-year ban, yesterday called for the introduction of democracy, including pluralism, in Iraq, the most brutal Arab dictatorship.

In an outspoken speech containing no mention of his failing health, the Hashemite monarch. 57. also anacked Muslim fundamentalists and Palestinian radicals plotting to overthrow him. His address to army graduates included a

after the 1989 price riots. Next year some ten parties are to contest parliamentary

elections in Jordan, but the king is under growing pres-sure to turn the country into a constitutional monarchy. "We perceive Jordanian democracy as a model and an example as well as a final choice for our people from which there will be no turning back," he de-

The king's call for reform in Baghdad was seen as a direct

# Turks threaten aid lifeline to Kurds

By Michael Binyon, diplomatic editor

gered by the recent proclamation by tragi Kurds of a separarist state that it may not renew the mandate that allows Provide Comfort, the allied operation based in Turkey to send food and other forms of humanitarian aid to the Kurds, to continue.

Suleyman Demirel, the Turkish prime minister, said his country strongly opposed any break-up of Iraq. Public opinion was "very sensitive" on this, and Turkey was worried that the allied operation was encouraging separatist movements of various kinds

among the Kurds.

Mr Demirel said Turkey was doing a great deal to meet the Kurds' humanitarian needs. It saw the allied operation as a deterrent to Baghdad. But he said parliament would not support any division of Iraq; such division could well lead to instability in the region.

The six-monthly authorisation for Provide Comfort expires at the end of Decemher. In talks with Mr Demirel vesterday in London. John Major urged him to renew the mandate. But Turkey has repeatedly warned the allies that Turkish public opinion has been angered by the failure of the West to aid the Bosnian Muslims, and has linked this to the continued operation of the effort to help

the Kurds. Mr Demirel denied that the recent intervention by Turkish forces in northern Iraq had soured relations with the Iraqi Kurds. He said the action had been taken to stop the infiltration into Turkey of 7.000 Kurdistan Workers' Party (PKK) guerrillas who were massed on the border. He said the PKK were "a nuisance" to Iraqi Kurds, who had asked for Turkey's help in taking action against them. Turkey was unwilling to play the role of a permanent policeman in northern Iraq, but if anything happened to the Kurds in the

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by and watch.

Mr Demirel also gave a warning that the world should not force Rauf Denktas, the Turkish Cypriot leader, to go along with a solution to reuniting Cyprus that he and the Turkish Cypriots did not accept. He said any attempt to bypass Mr Denktas in the United Nations-sponsored negotiations would be counterproductive and could store up trouble for years.
Asked whether Ankara

would put pressure on Mr Denktas, Mr Demirel said: We have done everything and are doing our best. The solution should be reached through free negotiations." He said Cyprus had been at peace for the past 18 years. largely because of the Turkish forces on the island, which prevented fighting. These, he said, had been more effective than the UN troops.

Britain has urged Turkey to do more to force a compro-mise on the Turkish Cypriots. Mr Demirel said that maintaining forces on the island and supporting the economy of northern Cyprus was costly for Turkey, and that the international isolation of the self-proclaimed republic of northern Cyprus meant that Turkish Cypriots were virtual-

ly living "in jail".

Mr Demirel denied that Turkey was trying to revive pan-Turkism or pan-Islamism in Central Asia. He said Turkey wanted the newly independent former Soviet republics to stand on their own feet, but was linked to them by language, religion, history and culture. He said Turkey had been cut off from these countries by 70 years of Marxism and was now eager to strengthen relations. Turkey was in a unusual position to spread Western values and political ideas, he said, but denied that Turkey was in competition for influence either with Iran, Russia or any

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Carrying on the fight: Antonio Gomes da Costa, pictured at a secret mountain camp in Indonesian-ruled East Timor, has taken over as leader of the Fretilin guerrilla group. His predecessor, Xanana Gusmão, was captured by government troops on Friday in the capital city of Dili. Fretilin has been waging a separatist campaign since Indonesia invaded the former Portuguese colony in 1975. (Reuter)

# Disillusioned Angola voters wait in fear for renewal of civil war

FROM SAM KILEY IN HUAMBO

WITH senior commanders on both sides of the Angolan conflict losing control of their men, United Nations observers have described the situation around Huambo, the temporary headquarters of Jo-nas Savimbi's Unita (Union for the Total Liberation of Angola), as "a guaranteed recipe for conflict".

Although the armies of the

government and Unita have for the past two weeks ob-

served a tenuous ceasefire in

much of the country, UN military observers in Huam-

bo. Angola's second largest

city, said at the weekend that

the ceasefire would hold for

only a short time unless a

radical political solution could

☐ Baghdad: In a rare interview, published yesterday. Saddam predicted that the international isolation of Iraq would not last much longer. "I think the world would not be able to do without a country like Iraq, where the subsoil is rich in oil. So, one would find it difficult to imagine that the world will continue to snub Iraq for a very long time," he said. (AFP)

be found to the present standoff. Huambo has recently twice been the scene of heavy

With Dr Savimbi and Unita politicians refusing to attend Friday's opening of the Angolan legislature, in which they have 70 seats, for fear of assassination attempts, sol-diers on both sides appear to be preparing for battle. "It is now clear that neither side was at all committed to the peace process," a senior UN official in Luanda said yesterday.
"The Bashpoint may be the convening of parliament or it may come later. But fighting now looks almost inevitable."

he added. Fear of renewed fighting has paralysed most of the country. Huambo, once a bustling provincial capital, is almost silent as its citizens wait in fear. "We want an end to the war. We voted, we believed in democracy, and now it has all fallen apart," one elderly local businessman said.

In an effort to bring the two sides back to the negotiating table, Margaret Anstee, head of the UN mission to Angola, is expected to fly to Huambo to see Dr Savimbi this week. But UN sources and other diplomats agree there is little she can do because both sides have drifted too far apart since Dr Savimbi left Luanda last month denouncing the elections, which he lost, as rigged.

# Peking delivers ultimatum to Patten

By CATHERINE SAMPSON IN PEKING

PEKING has heightened the war of nerves over Hong Kong by ruling out further talks on reform until Chris Patten, the

governor, drops proposals for more democracy.

Lu Ping, who heads the Hong Kong and Macau Af-fairs Office, has sworn that

Peking maintains that Chi-na and Britain reached a secret understanding in 1990 on the extent of democratisation in the 1995 elections. Publication by both sides of the relevant diplomatic exchanges revealed only an "agreement in principle" qualfied by a series of conditions Britain says were never met.

The governor is likely to annoy Peking further with a trip to Japan this week when he will meet Kiichi Miyazawa, the prime minister. The trip is geared to boosting investment

Already Japan is one of the largest investors, with holdings of \$10 billion (£6 billion). but the government in Peking is likely to see it as another step in what it calls the inter-nationalisation of the Hong

cautious stance on Mr Patten's proposals, but Canada, Australia and America have already declared their support for his reforms. Mr Patten insists that his proposals. which expand the franchise in the 1995 elections, do not violate any agreements and has declared himself willing to hold talks on political reform in Hong Kong with any Chinese official any time, any-where. He has also asked that

Mr Lu's remarks were made in Peking and reported in the pro-Peking Hong Kong press yesterday. They come just days after Zhu Rongji, the Chinese deputy prime minister, hinted in Britain that China might cease to uphold the 1984 joint declaration, which protects Hong Kong's way of life for 50

# NEWS IN BRIEF Sharif hits back at

AND DAVID WATTS

China will ultimately "emerge victorious" in this new round of diplomatic arm-wrestling. 'First of all," said Mr Lu, "the British side must acknowledge that all understandings and agreements reached between China and Britain remain effective, and Patten must withdraw his proposals. These are the preconditions for talks. Otherwise, the British side could tear up any agreements we reach in the future whenever it wanted."

in the colony.

Kong question to which it is bitterly opposed. So far Japan has taken a

Peking stop criticising his proposals and instead make constructive proposals of its

years after the handover to Peking in 1997.

# Bhutto

Chakwal, Pakistan: Nawaz Sharif, the Pakistani prime minister has urged people to reject a "long march" by opposition leader Benazir Bhuno and join his march towards progress and pros-

perity.

Addressing 20,000 people at a rally in Chakwal, 50 miles southeast of Islamabad, he appeared to rule out talks to end an increasingly bitter confrontation with the former prime minister. Our march will be for removing poverty, opening schools, colleges and dispensaries and constructing motorways," he said, adding that Miss Bhuno's sole objective was power and not improvement of the people's lot.

Miss Bhutto planned to start a cross-country train journey late yesterday from the southern city of Karachi to drum up support for her drive to oust a government she accuses of corruption and election fraud. (Reuter)

## Sub on show

Tehran: Iran put its Russianbuilt submarine on display at the Gulf port of Bandar Abbas. The purchase of the by the former Soviet Union. has been criticised by the West and Arab states. (AP)

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Storms kill 26

Brandon, Mississippi: Tornadoes sweeping through south-ern states have left 26 people dead, 15 of them in Mississippi. Houses and caravans were swept away and heavy damage was reported as far north as Ohio and Indiana. (AFP)

Crash survivor

Hanoi: A Dutch woman, 32. who was the only survivor of a plane crash in southern Vietnam last week in which 30 people, including a Briton. died was flown to Ho Chi Minh City from a village in Khanh Hoa province. Vietnam Airlines said. (Reuter)

Gay ban lifted

Sydney: Australia's Labour government has scrapped a ban on homosexuals joining the armed forces. Labour sources said the case for change had been strength-ened by a similar decision by Bill Clinton, the American president-elect. (Reuter)

# Contest threat

Johannesburg: The Africar National Congress is threaten-ing to stop the Miss Work contest in Bophuthatswans next month unless Luca: Mangope, the homeland's leader, allows free trade unior activity and repeals law: against mass action.

# Clan wars bring harvest of terror in Natal's fertile valleys

eading from Richmond, a Little market town nestiing in the hills 20 miles from Pietermaritzburg, Natal's provincial capital, is an are of villages, or "locations", where apartheid housed the black workers needed for the white farms and agri-businesses, and stored the unused reserves of labour.

The broad valleys are fertile and, thanks to the spring rains, green again after the long drought: even the "locations" are attractive, with purple bursts of jacaranda and bougainvillea. The cattle are sleek, but no maize grows in the fields: maize grows tall and allows your enemy to creep too close to your kraal. This has been a scene of vicious fighting for territory.

and the African National Congress tell Michael Hamlyn of their battles for the political control of the

Feuding local supporters of Inkatha

black population. Patheni is under the control of the Inkatha Freedom Party. The other "locations" are claimed by the African National Congress. The burnt-out houses in Patheni are where the ANC members used to live. In Indaleni the burnt buildings are mostly Inkatha followers' homes. In between, many of the houses have been burnt in the conflict. No one here really knows

how it all began. Everyone knows that gradually a tradi-

tional Zulu faction fight, or umbango, became a political war fought with AK47 assault rifles or G3 submachineguns instead of spears and knobkerries.

Daulus Vezi, who looks I every inch a warlord, with a shaven head and broken-toothed snarl, is lakatha chairman in Patheni. He thinks it all began when people from a cian in Indaleni killed a member of a rival clan in Patheni. One clan was helped

by the ANC and some of the "comrades" began attacking the Patheni villagers. Naturally, Inkatha had to defend Sifuso Nkabinde, in In-

daleni, the Richmond district chairman of the ANC, broad and bearded, thinks it began in January 1990, with a raid on his uncle's house by men from Patheni. One attacker died and his home-made weapon was captured by the defenders. A second man allowed his weapon, an army issue rifle, to fall into the hands of the Indaleni villagers. The Patheni side demanded the rifle back and mounted a revenge expedition. Eight people died that

elected chief of Indaleni. Patrick Majori was not a success in the job, but there seemed to be no way of etting rid of him except by chasing him away. He sought the support of the (Inkatharun) KwaZulu government, who armed him and his supporters and guarded him. to no avail. He now lives in a village some miles away.

B attles between Inkatha and the ANC intensified. and many people, including Mr Nkabinde, the ANC chief, fled for their lives. In March the young men re-turned and launched themselves on the Inkatha followers. "More than 100 died that day,"

An Inkatha attack on homes in greater Indaleni in June has led to court cases on counts of murder and attempted murder. The ANC is claiming its

members have the right to live where they choose and to free political activity. The Patheni population fears that, once they allow the young comrades of the ANC into their village, it would be tantamount to letting an enemy impi (Zulu regiment)

take up residence. The Patheni people say the refugees must accept the authority of Patheni's hereditary chief, in traditional Zulu fashion, before they are allowed to return. The ANC says it rejects such nondemocratic archaisms.



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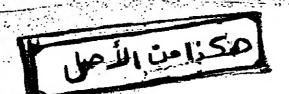
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# Haitians set test for Democrats' new team

Bill Clinton is swiftly backtracking on his campaign pledge to provide a refuge for Haitian boat people. But the message has not got through to the would-be refugees

FROM MARTIN FLETCHER IN WASHINGTON

TENS of thousands of Haitians are expected to make a further attempt to reach the United States after Bill Clinton's inauguration on January 20, presenting the new president with an immediate and serious problem largely of his own making.

Eve-witnesses, refugee organisations and Bush administration sources all confirm that preparations are well advanced for a new mass exodus from the impoverished Caribbean nation, currently under military rule.

When the US Coast Guard has flown over Haiti they have seen hundreds of boats being built," a State Department official said yesterday. William O'Neill, deputy director of New York's Lawyers Committee for Human Rights, fore-



cast that up to 40,000 Hai-tians would flee in rickety boats in the coming months. Some observers even talk of an exodus to match the 1980 Mariel exodus when President Castro sent 125,000 Cuban

refugees to Florida. Mariel was a political disaster not only for President Carter but for Mr Clinton, As a young first-term governor, he agreed to hold many of the Cubans in Arkansas prisons.

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They escaped and noted, con-tributing heavily to his only gubernatorial defeat the fol-

guternaturial desear the in-lowing year.

During this year's election campaign Mr Clinton repeat-edly condemned the Bush administration's policy of in-tercepting and repatriating the Haitan hoat people without a hearing, even though it had dramatically cut the number attempting the perilous voyage. His platform, "Putting People First", said the Haltians should be given "ref-

uge ... until democracy is restored" in their homeland.
Since the election Mr Clinton has hastily qualified his position. Last week he said the Haitians should be given only "the chance to make a case" for temporary asylum and emphasised that it would be "very unwise for anybody to think that I'm going to articulate a policy that would promote mass migration". In Haid, however, the belief that the new administration will the new administration will welcome Haitian boat people had already taken hold.

Claim rejected: Charges: that officials of the Reagan-Bush election campaign sought to delay the release of American hostages in Iran for electoral reasons are not supported by the evidence, a Senate report said yesterday.

But the report, by a special counsel to a Senate foreign relations subcommittee, said the evidence suggested that William Casey, the campaign director, made dandestine efforts to gather intelligence on hostage negotiations be-tween the Carter administration and Iran. (Reuter)

# Clinton takes gamble in Georgia vote

FROM BEN MACINIYRE IN MACON GEORGIA

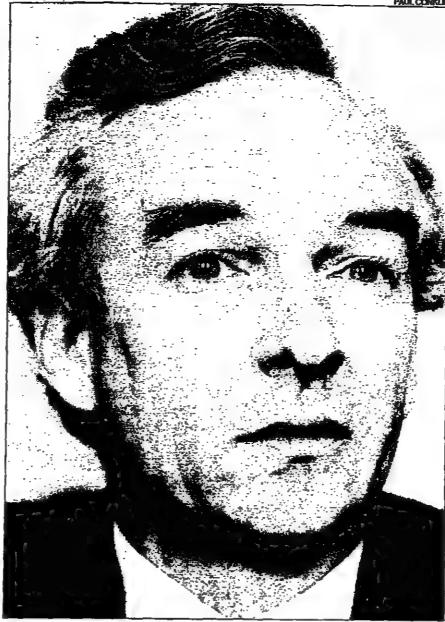
BILL Clinton. America's president-elect, might have been expected to steer clear of the campaign trail for a while, but yesterday he was back on the stump in Georgia supporting Senator Wyche Fowler, the Democrat whose run-off election today against the Perception trail whose run-off election today against the Republican contender. Paul Coverdell, is widely seen as the first big hurdle of the incoming administration — or a chance for the outgoing one to salvage a symbolic victory in the wake of defeat.

On November 3 the par-

On November 3 the par-ticipation of a third candidate ensured that neither candidate won 50 per cent of the vote required for victory under Georgia law. and the second senatorial election has attracted rather more energy and national interest than the first, as well as huge advertising campaigns and the involve-ment of party notables. With the projected result too close to call, some of Mr

Clinton's advisers have questioned the wisdom of participating in a campaign which, if unsuccessful, could mar the otherwise smooth process towards transition. Senator Sam Numm of Georgia was reportedly instrumental in persuading Mr Clinton to put loyalty above discretion, even though the polls taken by Clinton's staff showed a dangerously close race. Just four weeks ago, during the last Democratic campaign rally in Georgia, it was Senator Fowler who endorsed Mr Clinton; yester-day, at rallies in Macon and Albany, their roles were reversed.

key to this election lies in persuading Georgia's vot-ers, like the rest of the nation exhausted by two years of electioneering, to vote again. On November 3, 73 per cent of the state turned out to vote: pollsters say that turnout in today's vote could fall as low as 10 pet cent. But defining a "likely voter" in these cir-cumstances is virtually im-



Fighting chance: Wyche Fowler, Democratic senator for Georgia for the past five years, faces a close election today in a key test of party support

Both sides realise that the possible, since this is the first time in American history that a senatorial run-off has immediately followed a presidential election. Mr Fowler's chances of re-elec-tion depend on being able to marshal support among the women, the liberals and particularly the black voters who elected him in 1986. "I may be white," he told supporters, "but my soul is black." Mr Coverdell is culti-

vating the Christian funda-mentalist, and predominantly white vote. The race has inevitably

been portrayed as a national referendum, with Democrats anxious to keep up their post-election momenturn, retain the party's 57-43 advantage in the Senate and avoid a potentially em-barrassing defeat, while Republicans are equally keen to prove that the party can

still rally the faithful. Mr Coverdell's success in forcing a run-off with the Democratic incumbent has brought in a flurry of donations from Republicans eager for vengeance, and in the last few days Republican notables have descended on Georgia in force to show support for a candidate once

regarded as an outside bet. Jack Kemp, the housing secretary, told Georgia Re-

publicans (amid placards proclaiming "Kemp in '96") that a victory for Mr Coverdell would help to "redeem" the Republicans after President Bush's defeat. On Friday Mr Bush's wife Barbara. campaigning in Georgia, said: "A lot of people voted for the presdent-elect, but an awful lot more voted against him"

— just one day after she had gracefully embraced Mr Clinton's wife Hillary out-

side the White House. Mr Clinton's participation in a camapaign that seems anything but certain is seen as a gamble by some Democrats, not just because his presence may galvanise bitter Republicans as much as loval Democrats, but also because the decision to campaign in such a partisan election cuts across the antiestablishment image Mr Clinton has sought to con-vey. Last week Al Gore, the vice president-elect, also made several campaign ap-

pearances.

Mr Fowler, who has been accused of running a lacklustre first campaign, is now hitting the hustings with remarkable energy and bursts of characteristic wit.
"The circus had left," he said recently, bemoaning a run-off he plainly does not relish, "and here was this one chimpanzee still looking around for nuts." He might be forgiven for feeting re-sentful, having gained 30.000 more votes than his opponent, enough to win most offices in most states other than Georgia

Senator Fowler's most prominent opponent in the race, after Mr Coverdell, has been Charlton Heston, the actor and staunch Republiappears to have taken his party's defeat personally, and has campaigned hard in Georgia as a sort of latter-day Republican Moses, (his most famous film role), carrying around two stone tablets engraved with what he calls Senator Fowler's "top ten lies". In a radio interview last week Mr Heston described the contest as

# Peru poll boost for **President** Fujimori

FROM GABRIELLA GAMINI

PRESIDENT Fujimori of Peru yesterday hailed the victory of the parties he endursed in Sunday's congressional elections as a personal tri-umph. He claimed it was a sign of his government's popu-larity and support for his promises to wipe out ferrorist

Exit polls compiled by independent companies gave the Nueva Mayoria-Cambio 90 party, made up of candidates loyal to the president, a 38.6 per cent majority in the 80seat congress. Another party sympathetic to the president, the Renovation party, won 5.5 per cent of the vote.

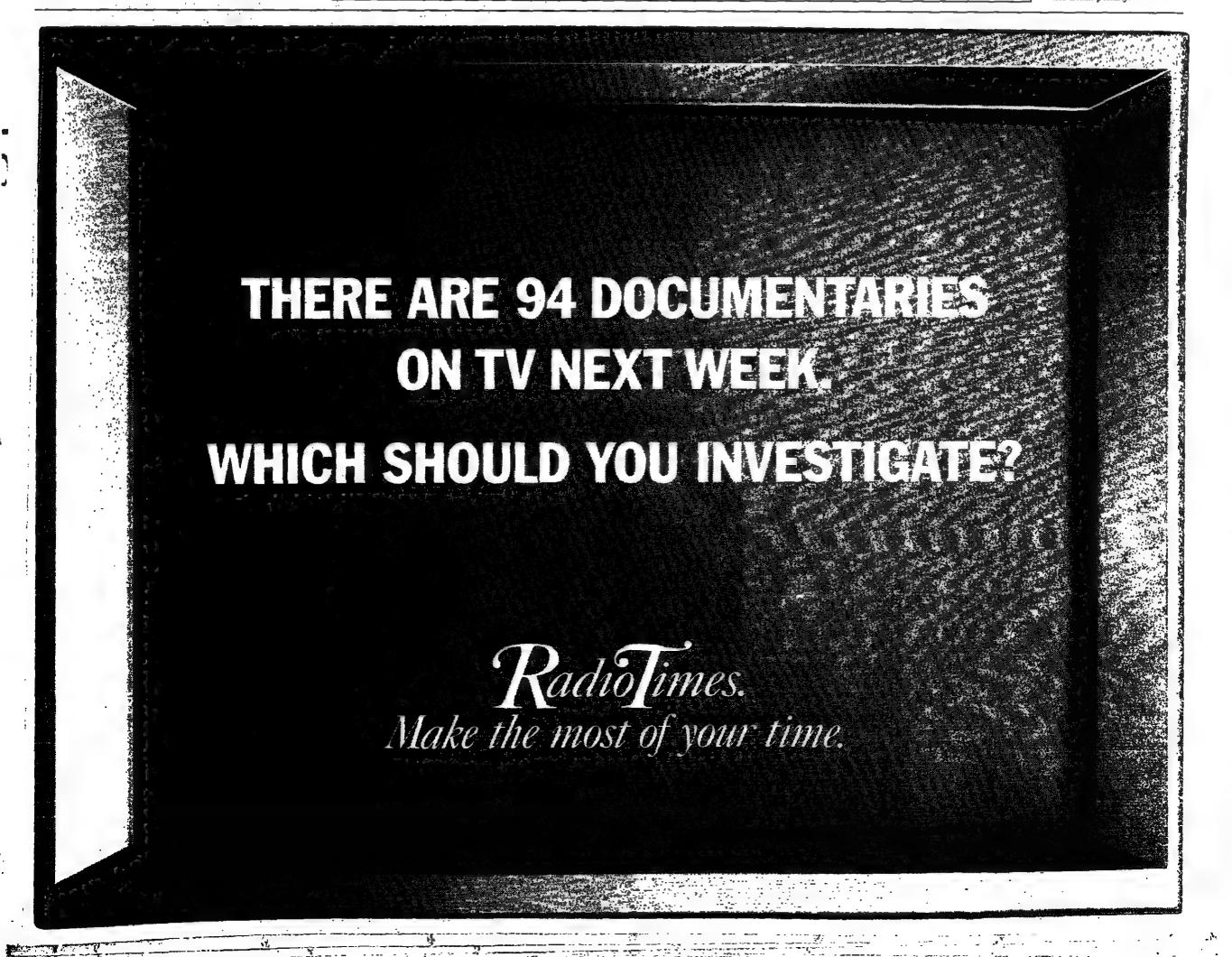
The official results will be out in the next two days. Although the majority is not as high as government supporters expected, it will give Senor Fujimori control over congress and the power to change the

constitution as he wishes, Senor Fujimori said the results indicated support from Peruvians for his self-initiated coup on April 5, when he abolished the previous parliament and judiciary with the backing of the military, and took on the powers of a dictator. He told journalists: These elections show that what I did. I did with the backing of the Peruvian

He said he abolished democratic institutions because they were corruption-ridden, blocking his hardline policies to damp down on Maoist Shining Path (Sendero Luminoso) guerrillas, considered Latin America's most lethal terrorist

group.

Jaime Yoshiyama, leader of
the Nueva Mayoria-Cambio 90, said that one of his party's main objectives in the new congress would be to instal the death penalty for terrorists. Now the government may attempt to reverse Shining Path leader Abimael Guzman's life sentence, to which he was condemned in a recent trial, and retry him to impose



# Turks talk of intervention in Bosnia to halt fighting

Turkey has ethnic, religious and historic links with Bosnia-Herzegovina. Sceptical of the results of the London conference, it is ready to play the part of regional peacemaker

> By MICHAEL BINYON, DIPLOMATIC EDITOR AND TIM JUDAH IN BELGRADE

TURKEY, adding to its already strong calls for military intervention, has organised a one-day conference tomorrow of all Balkan states in Ankara to try to increase pressure for an end to the fighting in Bosnia-Herzegovina.

Suleyman Demirel, the prime minister, briefed John Major on his plans at the start of a two-day visit to Britain yesterday. He said at a press conference beforehand that he hoped military intervention would not be needed, but Turkey was ready to take part in an international operation

to stop the bloodshed.

Britain has strong doubts about the proposed conference, which Whitehall officials said could slow down and cut across efforts made in Geneva by Lord Owen and Cyrus Vance, the European Community and UN negotiators. "It depends on what the conference is supposed to do. We see it as largely irrelevant." one official said.

Mr Demirel said Turkey's concern was humanitarian. It's not a matter of Islam or Christianity. Blood is blood. no matter whose it is. Something has to be done," he said.

Henry Kissinger, the former American Secretary of State, gave a warning on Sunday that the Bosnian conflict could grow into a "religious war in the heart of Europe". He said Muslim communities in the former Yugoslavia would not accept another ethnic cleansing. "The situation may be getting out of control."

In Belgrade yesterday a top UN official admitted that the much vaunted "no-fly zone" proclaimed by the UN over Bosnia-Herzegovina was daily flouted and said peacekeepers in the region were powerless to came as Western navies went into action to enforce a new Security Council resolution to sanctions-busting and gun-running along the Adriatic coast. In the first stop-andsearch missions, an Ecuadorean vessel bound for Slovenia and a Syrian freighter heading for Croatia were inspected

and released. In Bosnia itself, fierce fighting across the country ended any belief that a 12-day Cedric Thornberry, the deputy head of the United Nations Protection Force, said in Belgrade that UN military obcounted 192 mortar shells falling on the city. Only two shells were fired in return.

In Zagreb, a UN spokes-man said humanitarian flights to Sarajevo were susthere. He said 15 flights got through yesterday, but two were suspended after artillery

fire sharply increased.

Mr Thornberry went on to paint one of the blackest pictures yet of the situation in Bosnia and in Serb-held parts of Croatia. He said the UN had detected more than 100 violations of the no-fly zone in the past month. Under the present UN resolution, the protection force had neither the capacity nor the mandate to shoot down violators.

The revelation that the nofly zone is being widely disregarded will come as a shock to Western policy-makers because of the inevitable demands that violators should be shot down. Many think this would be the first step to fullscale military intervention.

in what may turn out to be another unpleasant surprise, Mr Thornberry said that the UN would be able to determine in the next few days whether or not regular troops of the Croatian army, as opposed to Bosnian Croat soldiers, were operating in Herzegovina. If the UN decides that regular Croatian troops are in action, there will be increasing pressure on the security council to be evenhanded and apply sanctions on Croatia to match those on

Serbia and Montenegro. campaign will be given a boost today when Jezda Vasiljevic, a private banker and impresario, announces his challenge to Slobodan Milosevic, the president. He said yesterday he would throw his hat into the ring today and gave a warning that, if he did not defeat the "Marxist monarch Milosevic", war would spread across the Balkans and the rest of the world "like fire".



Hands to the pump: nine-year-old Dzana Kafedzic, right, and her sister Selma, 7, carry water through Sarajevo. The civil war has led to a lack of running water in many towns, increasing the risk of disease. Cases of typhoid have been confirmed in Travnik in western Bosnia.

# **Travnik** gunmen deterred

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FROM REUTER IN SAILUEYO

FIGHTING near the central Bosnian town of Travnik eased off after British troops in armwere deployed around a warehouse containing United Nations relief supplies, Barry Frewer, a UN spokesman, said

yesterday.

We have certainly noticed a great reduction in the level of activity in the area. We trust that our presence has acted as iome kind of deterrent, Mr Frewer said. The troops will remain de-ployed for the foreseeable future. Serb forces have advanced to within a few miles of the town.

In Sarajevo, the city is recovering from the worst shelling since a ceasefire was agreed by the Serbs, Muslims and Croats 12 days ago. All but two of the 194 shells fired on Sunday fell on Bosnian government positions.
The UN-chaired mili-

tary working group, which brings together the warring factions, was scheduled to discuss the

powerful industrial lobby on a

programme of reforms, bol-

first deputy prime minister,

said in the southern city of

Krasnodar that the govern-

ment had completed an anti-

crisis programme on Sunday

which incorporated proposals of the centre-right Civic

Union, Interfax news agency

# Refugees exchange jail for limbo

From Adam LeBor in karlovac, croatia, and Chris Eliou in athens

HOME for Amir now is a narrow iron bunkbed in a room shared with 40 fellow Muslims, ex-inmates of Serbrun detention camps in Bosnia. The scene is one all too familiar in this blighted corner of eastern Europe: refugees lie back listlessly on their thin mattresses, a thick fog of cigarette smoke hanging in

But in many ways the 1,500 Muslims now living in cramped and chilly conditions in a former army barracks in the Croatian town of Karlovac are the lucky ones. Thousands of their compatriots remain in detention camps, but they are fed and cared for by the Red Cross in the comparative safety of Croaria. They can no tortured or killed.

Amir, 35, an engineer from arrested by Serbs on July 20 and taken to a detention centre. On August 5 he was transferred to Trnopolje where he stayed until the beginning of October when he was released to Karlovac. He has been promised a home in Holland, where his family is. "It's all much too slow and

we have been waiting too long. I don't understand why countries like Britain won't take more refugees," he said. Many of those in Karlovac are deeply traumatised by the atrocities they witnessed. Each has a horrific story to tell of

beatings, torture and summa-

ry executions. And they are bitter and disillusioned about

the failure of the West to offer

them rapid sanctuary. A wave world after television pictures showed bone-thin and terrified prisoners in the Serb camps. But now hundreds of them are stuck in a bureaucratic twilight zone, unable to go home but unable to leave.

"it's easy to say that the refugee problem should be solved in the local area, but these are not parcels, they are living people," said Alf Nordstrom, Karlovac's Red Cross co-ordinator. "Western countries are trying to buy themselves free of their responsibilities, but these people need to get out."

Just over 600 ex-inmates have left Karlovac. About 3,000 across the country have

West, but that number at least are still languishing in the camps because no country has offered to take them. A further 755 have just arrived from Manjaca to take the places of those who have left. Around 500 have been offered transit facilities by the Swiss govern-ment. Red Cross officials say they could bring out thou-sands more if Western countries agreed to take them in. Croatia, aiready struggling to feed and house up to a million refugees, has closed its doors until the West takes new

displaced people. The net result is that thousands of terrified Bosnian Muslims still face a winter of fear and hunger because of government lethargy. Many



they are disgusted at the slow and piecemeal response of the West to the greatest humanitarian disaster in Europe since

the second world war. There is also anger at the British decision to impose visa requirements on Bosnians when the nearest embassies in Belgrade or Vienna are both unreschable, a move akin to telling Jewish refugees in the second world war to get to the British Embassy in Lisbon to

apply for sanctuary.

Most of the Muslim men in Karlovac said they did not even want to remain in the West, and would immediately return and fight if they were given guns. "We are all ready to go back and fight," said Fuad, a motor mechanic in his Traopolie for three months: Twenty two members of my family have been killed or disappeared. If I had a gun I would go back tomorrow."

Macedonia talks: EC special envoy Robin O'Neill said today that a solution was close on the question of the commumity's recognition of the former Yugoslav republic of

Mr O'Neill said that after talks with Constantine Mitsotakis, the Greek prime minister, "we are as close to a solution as you can be".

Athens and the land-locked republic have been embroiled in a bitter row over the use of the word Macedonia by Skopje, with Greece claiming that it implies territorial designs against its northern province of the same name.

# NEWS IN BRIEF

# Britain and Georgia agree to closer ties

London: Britain and Georgia initialled four agreements yesterday on cultural co-operation, the mutual lifting of travel restrictions, investment protection and a declaration of co-operation and consultation between the two countries. They will be formally signed later (Michael Binyon writes).

The agreements are the first between the two countries since Georgia became independent, and were initialled after talks here between Aleksandr Chikvaidze, the foreign minister, and Douglas Hurd, the foreign secretary. Britain, which took the lead in Europe in recognising Georgia after Eduard Shevardnadze re-turned to power, has recently increased the know-how fund that is available to Georgia.

Mr Hurd expressed concern over the fighting in Georgia and especially reports of atrocities committed in the battle between Georgian forces and

# Staff chief dies

Moscow: Colonel General Viktor Dubynin, 49, head of Russia's general staff, has died "after a long illness", the defence ministry said. General Dubynin, a veteran of the Afghan war, had served as commander of Soviet forces in Poland. (Reuter)

# Bush funeral

Greenwich, Conn: President Bush, his wife Barbara and their five children were among more than 100 relatives who attended the funeral of Dorothy Walker Bush, 91, the president's mother, who died last

### Arms found

Forti: A cache of rocketlaunchers, grenades and submachineguns probably destined for the Maña has been unearthed in a wooded area near this town in northeast Italy 30 miles from the Adriatic coast, police said. (Reuter)

## Majority won

Vilnius: Lithuania's Democratic Labour party, the former Communist party, won 73 out of 141 parliamentary seats in last week's election, according to the official results. Sajudis, which led the country to independence, won 30 seats. (AP)

# Sailors' legacy

Manila: President Ramos has niedged to support the illegitimate children of US service-men after the closure of the naval base at Subic Bay, but has asked for help from Washington. The sailors will leave behind them at least 23,000 Amerasians. (Reuter)

## Capsule lands

Seattle: A Russian space capsule splashed down off the coast of Washington carrying religious icons and requests for business investment in Russia. The friendship flight marked the International Year of Space. (AP)

# Yeltsin strikes reform deal with the industrial lobby



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The Commersant daily newspaper said an agreement between the two sides envisaged that the Civic Union would use its influence at next month's session of the Congress of People's Deputies, the supreme legislature, to head off attempts to unseat the cabinet. Such an agreement, if implemented, would help President Yeltsin and his reformist acting prime minister, Yegor Gaidar, to win a clash with conservative opponents.

It was unclear what policy changes Mr Yeltsin and Mr Gaidar had agreed to in their reform strategy as the price of winning Civic Union support. The Civic Union claims the support of up to a third of Congress deputies and has been advocating a slower pace of reforms, with more support



Gaidar: bargain would foil Congress attack

for state-owned industry. The Commersant quoted a docu-

both sides and due to be signed by the cabinet and Civic Union leaders, as saying that the government, bowing to the Union's demands, agreed it should play a bigger role in "regulating the formation of market relations". This appeared to contradict the thrust of the "shock therapy" liberalisation adopted by the cabinet a year ago and backed by the West. The document also stated

that inflation was much high-

er than had been expected.

reforms give no ground for euphoria," it said.

"The results of the first year of

The Congress, opening on December 1, has been billed as the setting for a decisive battle over the economy be-tween conservative deputies and radical reformers. On the eve of the Congress, there have been sharp political clashes as the two sides have manneuvied to rally support. Izvestia reported yesterday that Civic Union members

and the hardline opposition to Mr Yeltsin had agreed to work for the removal of four key figures in his entourage, in-cluding the liberal foreign minister, Andrei Kozyrev, and the secretary of state. Gennadi Burbulis, one of the main architects of the political re-forms. Mr Yeltsin has not ruled out replacing some ministers, but he has said he will not drop Mr Kozyrev or Mr Gaidar and will not carry out any reshuffle under pressure

from the Congress. Mr Burbulis made clear on Sunday that Mr Yeltsin intended to press for a new constitutional agreement at the session that will confirm his authority as president. His remarks clearly suggest-

ed that Mr Yeltsin did not simply want to weather the storm at the Congress but would seek to dip parliament's wings and strengthen the executive's powers to prevent a time-consuming confronta-

# More cancer deaths feared from thinning ozone layer

FROM MICHAEL MCCARTHY, ENVIRONMENT CORRESPONDENT, IN COPENHAGEN death averted. The cost of

DAMAGE to the ozone layer will result in five million cases of cancer and 70,000 deaths in the United States alone in the next century, unless the phasing-out of ozone-destroying chemicals is accelerated. William Reilly, head of the US Environmental Protection Agency, said in Copenhagen yesterday.

spheric ogone deserves the highest international environmental priority," Mr Reilly told ministers and officials from more than 90 countries gathered in the Danish capital to speed up the timetable of the Montreal protocol, the treaty governing the international climination of chlorofluorocarbons (CFCs) and other ozone-depleting substances. The decision taken by

President Bush in February to bring forward America's date for phasing out CPCs from January 1, 2000 to January 1, 1996 meant a potential reduction of one million cancers and 10,000 deaths between now and 2075, Mr Reilly suid. Later he revealed that the move would cost the United States an extra \$2 billion (£1.3

the original phase-out pro-gramme for America has been estimated at \$35 billion. The four-year acceleration chosen by America is being backed by most countries at the meeting.
Thinning of the ozone

layer, the earth's protective shield against the harmful effects of the sun's ultraviolet rays, will continue, whatever is decided at the meeting because many CFCs have long active lifetimes and will go on destroying ozone for decades to come. The peak years for destruction are expected around the turn of the

British officials at the meeting said there were no comparable government figures for how many cancers the expected increase in ultraviolet light reaching the earth might cause in the United Kingdom. They said many of the cancers to which Mr Reilly was referring would be non-melanoma cancers which are not usually fatal. David Maclean, the environment minister, said Mr Reilly's figures were "alarmingly high".

"But what is important is billion), giving a figure of that we tighten up controls \$200,000 for every cancer on CFCs and that is what we are here to do," Mr Maclean said. Britain has taken the lead in proposing an earlier CFC phase-out date within the European Community.

This February, Green-peace wrote to all 31,000 general practitioners in Britain offering them a booklet on the health effects of increased ultraviolet light. 4,000 requested it. Ozone depletion over Scotland last January averaged 14.3 per cent below the long-term normal level, according to Rumen Bojkov of the World Meteorological Organisation. For the middle ten days of the month it was 20 as of the month it was 20 per cent below normal. Dr Bojkov said, a figure that would only occur naturally once in 100 years. ☐ Tarbes. France: The

southwestern Hautes Pyrénées region yesterday regis-tered its highest seasonal temperatures since records started, of 27.6C (82F) in the

The previous highest recorded temperature for Nov-ember was 27.2C, registered in November 1985, it said. Meteorologists attributed the heat to a long period of sunshine due to warm winds dissipating the fogs that usually cover the area at this

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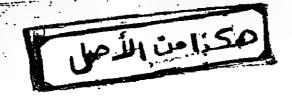
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# Common links with royals

mensely to large numbers of people, but it is not at all obvious why this should be so. What is it in human nature which seems to demand that some people be singled out as magically significant even though their contributions to civilisation and human welfare are no more than fund-raising? V'e all pay tribute to those

men and women who have scaled the heights: the great writers, nainters, musicians, scientists, mathematicians and inventors who have enriched human existence, enhanced our quality of life, widened our understanding of the world and enlarged our perception of human capabilities. Even a few politicians are worthy of some respect.

But the members of our royal family are unremarkable. The Prince of Wales is reasonably well educated, but I can't mink of any member of the royal family with whom I would choose to pass an evening. Those who idealise royalty do not do so because of

Enormous wealth is always intriguing. Many people like to imagine what it would be like to own several huge man-

sions, to be waited on by countless The soap servants, to be entirely free of any opera of concern about money. The disasroyalty trous fire at Windsor Castle arouses fascinates anxiety about the loss of irreplacebecause it able works of art; but we know that shows that the building will be restored with ordinary taxpayers' money people can and the royal family may not even attract be asked to contribute. Inherited devotion

that accumulated by ingenuity, flair, or even life consists of a series of soap chicanery. It is not their operas, some on television. money which makes the royals

fascinating.
Why do such ordinary people command such extraordinary attention? The royal family fulfils a secret wish which is familiar to most of us. Human beings want to be loved for themselves alone. irrespective of their looks, gifts, achievements or personality. Most of us only experience this unequivocal love when we are babies. Babies may be hideous, red-faced, squalling bundles of incontinence, but their mothers love them whatever they are like. Babies are adored for what they are, not for what they do. We would like this to go on throughout life, although it never does.

As babies get older, they discover that just being is not enough: they no longer get love for nothing. But royals go on being treated as worthy of adoration throughout their anything to deserve it. Edward VII remained popular and respected in spite of his greed and lechery. Edward VIII continued to attract sycophants even after his abdication in spite of his obvious



DR ANTHONY STORR

flaws of character. Today, it is true that we demand better behaviour from our royal famsympathy that emotional problems which would escape notice or be taken for granted in an ordinary family become the subject of so much attention when they occur in the

It is because the royal family seems rather ordinary that it appeals to so many people. If the royals were all Nobel prize winners, most people would be unable to identify with them. If one is not particularly gifted. the kind of intellectual

achievement which leads to a Nobel prize in physics seems incomprehen-

> But the ups and downs of family life are familiar to us ail. It is a sad reflection on our educational sys-tem that so few people are interin the arts. If the life of the mind is what is left to make life interesting? The answer is the vagaries of

the neighbours. For many people, operas, some on television, some in real life. The royal soap opera, which sells so many newspaners, fascinates readers because it shows that boring, ordinary people like you, me and the neighbours can yet attract devotion. Roy

ty is the apotheosis of the commonplace. Human beings, like many social animals, are hierarchical creatures. We are bound to put some of our number at the such people with a measure of special respect or even awe. But to make such eminence derive from an accident of birth rather than from any excellence of personality or achievement is to perpetuate the class structure and snobbery which other nations find

so distasteful in British life. There is something to be said for having a head of state who can carry out ceremonial functions and represent Britain without also representing a political party. But surely we can choose such a head of state rather than having one thrust upon us. Our psychological need for a representative leader ought to be met

# Bring back the age of reason then we have consequences of irrational behaviour can be disastrous. Liz Gill meets a professor who wants us to see sense

irrational behaviour

professor who wants

us to see sense

uppose you buy a theatre ticket for a play that turns out to be so excruciatingly bad you would gladly have paid money not to be there. Do you stick with it to the final curtain? Stuart Sutherland, professor of psychology at Sussex University, frequently does, but at least he knows he is behaving irrationally. The rest of us, it seems, somehow think we are getting our

The sensible thing of course is to leave," he says. "That way you only suffer the monetary loss, instead of the double blow of an hour or two's needless boredom as well. The mistake arises because people fail to realise that all that matters is their future gains and losses: they should ignore the past except in so far as one can learn from it."

Misplaced consistency - the phenomenon whereby people who have made a sacrifice of money, time or



Professor Sutherland: happier

effort in order to do something tend to go on doing it even when they stand to lose more than they gain matters little when it only involves an evening's entertainment. It is important decision-makers who Professor Sutherland hopes to reach with his new book, Irrationality: The Enemy Within, though he would like theatregoers to benefit, too.

"Most of the decisions we make are pretty low-level, otherwise we wouldn't have survived." he says. There has been a lack of evolutionary pressure to increase rationality: you don't need much to find food and shelter and raise a family."

But when a general, for example applies misplaced consistency to war strategy, the results can be horrific.

"In the first world war it became apparent, if only from the battle of Verdun, where 800,000 lives were lost, that in trench warfare direct attacks were not only doomed to failure but would cost the attackers far more than the defenders," Professor Sutherland says. "Yet in the battle of the Somme, despite losing 57,000 men in the first few hours, General Haig continued to attack well-defended German positions with fur-

"But I think we'd all be happier if we were more rational. We might not get drunk and have hangovers so much, we might buy better cars and houses for less money, we might not even rush into disastrous marriages. But the really bad effects of irrationality occur mainly when major decisions are being taken by people such as doctors, judges, engineers, manag-ers and politicians."

Rational thinking, according to Professor Sutherland's definition, is whatever is most likely to be correct given the knowledge one has; rational action the one most likely to achieve the desired end. Irrationality, therefore, is coming to conclusions that cannot be justified by one's current knowledge. "Any thought process that leads to a conclusion or a decision that is not the best that could have been reached in the light of the that apply, is irrational," he says.

His book covers more than a hundred different causes in three main groups: social, emotional and cognitive. Among the latter he would include the "availability error", or judging by the first thing that comes to mind, which is in turn often the most dramatic. This, for instance, is the sort of thinking that stops Americans coming to Europe after a hijacking when in fact they are more

ARE EPIDURALS, the spi-

nal injections used on more than 10,000 women in Brit-

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Fresh research indicates

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in danger from violent crime at home, or which prevents people riding a rollercoaster when they have cycled to the fairground, a far risider 'For every good idea there will be 20 bad ones, and it is rationality that sorts and organises them'

> this the officers concluded they should blame but never praise.

> What they were unaware of was the principle of regression to the mean', which affects all events in which chance plays a role. In this case, exceptionally good flying and exceptionally bad flying are both rare. An average performance is more usual and therefore more likely on the next flight," he explains.
> "The reluctance to relinquish one's

> views, he says, permeates all walks of life. It means people fail to seek contradictory evidence to test a belief: ignore it if it does appear, or even deliberately distort it.

Irrationality can be collective as well as individual. "The Cold war was almost certainly irrational, because the Soviets misread the Americans, who were not really about to drop bombs on them, and the Soviets failed to see the Russian build-up as a response to that imagined threat,"

Professor Sutherland says. "Many organisations fail to achieve their goals because they are structured in ways that encourage selfish behaviour in their members. not irrational, but the organisation as a whole functions irrationally in the sense that it fails to use the best means to achieve its ends."

teaches a course on rationality at the university, believes education is the solution to cognitive problems. "You need some elementary statistics, some familiarity with concepts like probability theory, and you need to teach it with examples relevant to real life.

"When we're making complex decisions, we can only hold five or six things in our mind at one time. But a simple supplement to that is to use a pencil and paper to set out the pros and cons and the relevant factors." Men and women can be taught to

deal with stress, another major cause of irrationality, and to recognise when and how emotions — in them-selves neither rational nor irrational — are affecting their thinking

More difficult to tackle, the professor believes, are the social causes of obedience and conformity, both to the attitudes of a particular group and to society as a whole. These may produce examples of irrational be-haviour ranging from being too embarrassed to ask for a train window to be opened on a hot day to the excesses of football hooliganism. "It might make sense to go along with the actions of a group for self-

preservation, but it can never be a benefit to come to false beliefs on the basis of what a group does," he says.
"Yet it has been shown that pressure

can change the way people actually think, not just the way they act." Rationality, Professor Sutherland

argues, is not necessarily the enemy of either spontaneity or creativity. For every good idea there will be 20 bad ones, and it is rationality that sorts and organises them. If you develop the habit of rationality you can still be spontaneous as well."

Some individuals are more ratio-

nai than others because of a combina-tion of genes, upbringing and education, but part of the problem, he says, is that we all think we are more rational than we really are. This blinkers us. Unless you can see the possibility of mistakes you will not think hard enough to avoid them."

Professor Sutherland has personal experience of a loss of reason. He suffered from manic depression for ten years and wrote of his struggle in Breakdown, a book which formed the basis of Simon Gray's play Melon in 1987. "Not stopping to think is the basis of a lot of irrationality. I was always extremely impulsive and became more so during my illness," he says. In my manic phases, for instance, I'd do anything for a joke. even if it meant offending a person I

His condition has been stabilised by medication for several years and writing the book has made him strive even harder towards rationality. But he stills sits through bad plays. "And I'm still irrational about something like misplacing my wallet. I go berserk and keep looking again and again in the same place."

• Irrationality: The Enemy Within is published this week by Constable at £14.95.

Double vision: an irrational outlook, as in Magritte's surrealist painting Not to be Reproduced, may involve failing to assess risks correctly

# HEALTHCARE

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"It's just as common in the professions," he says. "It is known, for example, that a doctor who has recently seen a number of cases of a particular disease becomes more

prone to diagnose it in patients who have not got it." Other bad thinking habits include: falling for the "halo effect, where one good trait en-hances other unrelated characteris-tics: being overconfident; failing to assess risk correctly; and mistaking

"When the Thatcher government wanted to introduce student loans, it argued that going to university increases earning power." Professor Sutherland says. "Graduates do earn more on average, but there are other factors, such as higher IQ, more determination, parents who may be in a position to help. The causal contion and higher pay later is not proven and education ministers repeated assertions that it is only demonstrate that the education system has not taught them how to think."

rawing false inferences is similarly widespread. Professor Sutherland quotes the story of Israeli airforce officers who found that praising trainee pilots who had flown exceptionally well did not help: they invariably flew worse afterwards. However, trainees who were reprimanded for flying badly nearly always did better the next time. From

# Turning down the heat

Professor Sufperland, who now

indicating drawbacks, including the chance of having a less alert child.

A link between health problems, such as backache and frequent headaches, and study of more than 11,000 first-time mothers by researchers at Birmingham University's medical school. In some cases the symptoms lasted nine years after the

Dr Christine MacArthur, one of the researchers whose findings, Health after Childbirth, were published by the HMSO last year, says: "We knew new mothers suffered carries a risk and point to knew new mothers suffered various anecdotal evidence certain problems, but not to BETTALATER The question over the long-term effects of epidurals continues

the extent this research shows. Now we have found ... a strong link between backaches and headaches and the use of epidural

In May this year a further study of 4,500 women given epidurals found more than 60 per cent suffered sideeffects, including tingling in hands and fingers, fainting

effects lasted for up to a year, the report in the British Medical Journal said. III The latest study, involving 57 pregnant women, has been made by a team at the Charing Cross and Westminster Medical School in

The pain relief offered by epidurals may lead to high temperatures in the womb because mothers retain more heat by sweating and breathing less, the team say. Researchers directly measured the skin temperatures of the foctuses using sensors. Some mothers used epidurals and others used alternatives such as nitrous oxide gas. About 5 per cent of the babies whose mothers were given epidurals had temperatures of 39C or more, indicating

that their core temperatures may have gone above 40C. In adults the risks of heatstroke, which can include brain impairment, convulsions and heart failure, rise alarmingly over 40C. The risk of high foetal temperalength of time an epidural

The researchers are suggesting that measures be aken to lower labour room temperatures after five hours OF DIGHT.

John Macaulay, a member of the team whose findings are published in the latest Obstetnics and Gynecology. said they were not suggesting that epidurals should be avoided and emphasised that all of the babies born ap-

peared hale and hearty.
"At the moment they are sold as the best thing aince sliced bread," he says. "It is really a matter of producing a few cautionary tales so we do not lose sight of the fact that every medical procedure has a downside."

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The greatest challenge to Bonn comes not from the outright neo-Nazis but from the astute politicians on the far right, Peter Millar writes

# When will Germany draw the line?

across Dresden's Altmarkt, funnelled through the drab tower block hotels that stand like empty cigarette packets along the soulless pedestrian precinct laid out by the communists after Bomber Harris and his boys blew away the city's

Here and there a motley group of youths meets to smoke and mooch about. They could be in a depressed economy anywhere. Their only uniform is that of universal youth in the 1990s; the boys in blue jeans, the few girls in leggings, the legs of both sexes ending in ugly, heavy black boots. The young men are not skinheads; their haircuts are more like those of tonnich Victorian hank electors. foppish Victorian bank clerks, razored close up back and sides with a thick mop on top. The only special characteristic marking them out is the circular cloth patch, sewn on to jeans or denim jackets, with its black eagle and the legend Proud to be a German".

This is the front-line of the far-right fringe of German politics. These tecnagers represent the submerged lower half of the iceberg which has sunk Germany's reputation, rehabilitated over 40 years of studied application to democracy in the west

racy in the west. Almost exactly two years ago, in November 1990, only one month after German unification, the small eastern German town of Eberswalde was the scene of a murder which still weighs on the national conscience; an Angolan immigrant worker was beaten to death in the street. Instead of pointing the finger at his killers, the townspeople closed ranks. It was not until September this year that a prosecution was brought. But that attack was

MANAGE AND

only the beginning. In the past two years there is scarcely a corner of the old communist state that has not seen an explosion of racial harred directed at immigrants frum Africa, Asia or the poorer parts of eastern Europe. Hoverswerda, Rostock, Eisenhüttenstadt, Quedlinburg, picturesque country towns and unlovely industrial settlements alike, have erupted in violence that foreign commentators have quickly compared with the anti-Jewish pogroms of the 1930s. To the all-too-evident discomfiture of the politicians in Bonn, their compatriots in the east, newly liberated from one totalitarianism, have abused that freedom to adopt the trappings of another, the stiff arm salutes, the swastika tattoos and the cries of "Sieg Heil" in the streets are the automatic first focus for foreign cameramen.

But the hatred is real. On the streets of Rostock on the warm nights of last August the rioting crowds had their quota of punks, skinheads and other Chaotiker who had come in buses from Berlin on the offchance of a battle with police. But they mingled with the tough determined faces of the local working class, factory workers thrown on the dole like so much overmatter in the building of the new Germany, expressing their anger with sticks and stones.

The reality of the renaissance of Germany's extreme right is more complicated than the simple "neo-Nazi" tag suggests. In Dresden's Airmarkt. Hans, one of the more articulate of this little chump of right-wingers, tried to explain: "We are no Nazis We are simply partionic Germans, but see do not want our rites taken we do not want our cities taken over by blacks and foreigners.". Yet a few weeks ago a group of Hans's colleagues marched through the Altmarkt and raised their hands in Nazi salutes. Gisela Hase, a housewife in her 60s, was shocked not so much by the young — they are fools who do not remember the Nazi years, the war" - but by the older people who stood and applauded.

When the Queen visited Dresden last month these youths were on this square. Two of their number threw. eggs, but no one is saying who. They are not even sure why. The ostensible reason was retaliation for Queen Eliza-beth the Queen Mother unveiling a statue of Bomber Harns in London, But there is: no real lust for revenge they'do not have the English here. They hate Auslander, and the word for foreigner in the modern German sense has many gradations.

Theoretically, because of the European Community's regulations on common rights to live and work in any member country. Ausländer is often used as a shorthand term for non-EC citizens. But even in the most liberal social circles. there is a racial oversone for example, Austrians and Swiss. while not EC citizens, are not considered Auslander, while Greeks might well be, and even southern Italians and Portuguese are on a border line which has more to do with Europe's ancient north-south divide, now that the artificial east-west line of the Cold War

has been wiped away.

The real Auslander are those who look different, the Africans and Asians, the Romany gypsies, the Turks and the Vietnamese. For east German society today the best comparison is with a patient emerging from 40 years in the closed regime of a labour camp to find his home, so fondly remembered, has



been sub-let to strangers.

he rise of the right is a national phenomenon, as illustrated by last spring's local elections in which the two legal extreme right-wing parties the Republicans and the German People's Union jumped over the 5-per-cent. hurdle to win seats in, respectively, both Baden-Württemberg in the southwest and Schleswig Holstein in the north. There are now no further elections until 1994 but the far right plans to put entire country and only an intensification of the arguments between the factions may prevent it from making a

radical alteration to the polit-

ical landscape. For the greatest dilemma facing Germany is not the threat from the outright neo-Nazis so beloved by the British tabloids, but the task of drawing that line where the respectable right merges into the unconsciousble. In the tatty youth clubs in the suburbs of the eastern German cities. there is no doubt about who is on the wrong side of the line. In Gorbitz, in the suburbs of Dresden, these sour-faced boys can be seen any evening at local bars, drinking too much and willing to scream "Sieg Hell" at any photographer for the price of a beer. And there are their would-be leaders, half-baked phoney in-tellectuals who describe themselves as "National Socialists".

> tunity for a "new beginning" in the ashes of communism. Only three years ago the youth clubs where these arnateur Nazis drink were adorned with plaques of Lenin as local headquarters of the Free Ger-

They sense a historical oppor-

man Youth, the blue shirted "advance guard of the party", which was to the communist elite what the Hitler Youth was to the Pührer. It is temptingly easy to see the children of one totalitarian regime seduced by

nostalgia for another. But that is a simplification of the truth. Ramona, a 16-yearold schoolgid from Rostock, in a recent interview with Stern magazine produced, aimost in the same breath, two state-

ments which showed a flawed but "politically cor-rect" view of history conabiting with a cynical intolerance Hitter was a real pig. He put Jews in an oven and turned on the gas," then she added: "If one [an immigrant] croaks, no one gives a shit." Her friend Ralf. a mere 14, streets in the Au-

gust rioting during

which dozens were

injured and an im-

migrants' hostel burnt out by petrol bombs. He was not worried what his parents might think; he had met his father among the rioters.

At the root of every complaint about the immigrants lies the gut belief that the obviously alien faces in the streets of these towns belong to freeloaders come to usurp the birthright of affluence that east Germans feel cheated of twice over: once, by 40 years of communist dictatorship, and once again by the failure of unification to provide overnight living standards equal to the west. In east Germany, ravaged by the rationalisation

of Treuhand, the state privati-

sation agency employed to sell off or reorganise the decrepit communist economy, more than one third of the workforce is on the dole.

If in reality the immigrants are not so much of a threat to employment as is the recession, nonetheless the tide that has flowed into Germany since the fall of the Iron Curtain has imposed an enormous strain on a faitering economy. The phoney post-

The influx of half a million refugees is proving a psychological and economic strain that is threatening the fragile consensus politics that made West Germany among the most stable European democracies

> unification boom in the west as its industries are up what was worth having in the east and enjoyed the expanded market has deflated as that market runs out of money.

For the country as a whole, the influx of perhaps half a million refugees this year alone is proving a psychologi-cal and economic strain that is threatening the fragile consensus politics that made West Germany among the most stable postwar European democracies. The man who has made most capital out of these gut feelings is Franz Schönhuber, chairman of Die Republikaner, the Republicans, the extreme right-wing grouping which is the country's fastest-growing political party (see below). From small beginnings in Munich — a more than uncomfortable parallel for some — the "Reps" have expanded dramatically. capturing seats in local gov-

ernment from Berlin to Baden-Württemberg, the wealthiest of west German states, where Herr Schönhuber's party captured 10.9 per cent of the vote.

Herr Schön-huber, at 69, is an astute politician who has sailed his party faultlessly along a radical right-wing line that still remains well within the carefullydefined bounds of the constitution. He wisely refuses to be party, preferring the innocuous Vorsitzender, chairman. Herr Schönhuber is an affable man with a fondness for un-

threatening lemon sweaters and the comfortable manner learned as a television presenter in Bavaria.

Herr Schönhuber, an admirer of Margaret Thatcher. insists: "All I want is the right to be as proud of my nationality as she is of hers."

Germany's commitment to "Europe" was the logical consummation of the postwar years of reconciliation with France. But unification has reopened the door to eastern Europe and the Balkans and the neighbours are scaling the fences. The Communproblem, by being unable to

agree a common European immigration rule which, as an

EC directive, could override Germany's constitutional right to asylum. According to German interior ministry fig-ures, more than 90 per cent of those currently claiming asy-lum status are found to have no legal justification for it. The Social Democrat opposition has been tom apart over amending a constitutional right to asylum which was decreed as atonement for Nazism. The irony escapes no-

body that that very law is now creating the preconditions for a new rise of fascism. The "Proud to be German" badge sewn on the jeans of the youths in Dresden is the successor to the "Swords to Ploughshares" badge worn in the same city a decade ago by peace campaigners confronting the communist authori-Beyond their message be it nationalism, racism, or symbol of opposition to authority, a status quo that has let them down. The still open question is how that resentment may be channelled. On that the fate of modern Germany could depend and. as we have seen before, even quite recently, in or out of the EC the fate of Germany

determines the fate of Europe.

# Turks recoil at deaths

erman police are braced for acts of re-venge by members of the country's large Turkish community in the wake of the killings of two Turkish women and a ten-year-old girl by suspected neo-Nazi terrorists in a northern German village early yesterday. The killings in the village of Mölln, (pop. 16,000) were the culmination of one of Germany's bloodiest weekends of violence against non-Germans for months.

Turkish officials in Berlin. home to 140,000 ethnic Turks, planned to hold, to-gether with leftist political parties, a silent march in the city centre yesterday evening to show, as one organiser put it, "our fear of the Nazi mob and disgust with the govern-ment" over the murders.

The three victims, aged 51, 14 and ten, and all related, were murdered in their sleep in two fires which took place at in their two multi-family homes. All three had lived in Germany for many years and the young girl was born there. One woman among the nine injured broke both her legs jumping from an upper floor to the street below, and a nine-month-old infant suffered from smoke inhalation.

The interior minister for the state of Schleswig-Holstein reported that members of the ethnic Turkish community in Mölln, described as well-integrated citizens, had been increasingly disturbed at threats received from rightwing extremists in the days before these attacks.

Several anonymous callers to the authorities later claimed responsibility for the killings, ending their calls with the words "Heil Hitler" and promising that their campaign of terror and violence against the Turkish community had only just begun. Police do nat know if the callers were genuine, or simply showing solidarity

with the attackers.

Meanwhile the German federal prosecutor's office in Karisruhe took over control of the case from local authorities and imposed a blackout on official information, as a widespread manhunt began.

Berlin is still recovering after a weekend of violence which included the fatal stabbing of one German man and the wounding of two companground station in eastern Berlin. The assailants escaped, while the sole eyewitness who escaped serious injury described the killer as a man with short blonde hair and a jacket patch that read: "I am proud to be a German".

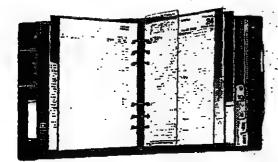
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FRANZ SCHONHUBER, the 69-yearright Republican party in Germany, is at great pains to portray himself as a moderate man. As a journalist for 40 years — he was once a presenter on Bavarian television — he knows very well what the international press wants to hear from a German right-winger and former NCO in the Waffen SS, and he is determined not to let them hear it. Herr Schönhuber is accused by the

great majority of Germany's democratic politicians and the media of sharing in responsibility for the growth of chauvinism and hence for racist attacks; but his response yesterday to the killings in Mölln was apparently clear. We denounce all violence. The people responsible should be put behind bars and kept He distances himself emphatically from

the neo-Nazis, describing anti-Semitic insults as "disgusting", pointing out that his first wife was half-Jewish. He stresses strict limits on asylum and no further immigration, but guarantees the position of Gastarbeiter (guest workers) living in Germany: "We invited them to come and work here. Even if that was a mistake, we cannot now expel them. How can a Turkish youth who has lived all his life in Germany be sent back to live in Turkey?

In Republican propaganda and speeches, as reported by his own party newspaper. Der Republikaner, remarks from Herr Schönhuber denouncing immigrants collectively as criminals — "Italian mafia, Polish car-thieves, fences and smugglers, Yugoslav pimps, Turkish drug-dealers and youth gangs, Arab terrorists" - are frequent. But many of his statements to the press are hardly more radical than those from right-wingers German regime and the Stasi."



Schönhuber: respectable allies

within Chancellor Kohl's ruling coalition. In conservative Bavaria, the Christian Social Union (CSU), the sister party of Herr Kohl's Christian Democrats, has in some of its rhetoric moved further to the right than Herr Schönhuber. The CSU is desperately afraid of the electoral threat from the Republicans, whom some opin-ion polls show as gaining 25 per cent of the vote in Bavaria.

Herr Schönhuber denounces moves in Bavaria and other Länder to place the Republicans under supervision by the state anti-subversion agency (Verfass-ungschutz). He claims that, The Verfassungschutz in North-Rhine Wessphalia revealed that they had no evidence of links between us and the neo-Nazis ... These attempts to keep a party down can only be compared to the tactics of the East

He asks: "How can we be called an anti-constitutional party when our ranks are full of civil servants, policemen and judges, all of whom have sworn allegiance to the constitution?" He particularly welcomes the growth of Republican support in the armed forces. Sitting side him was Lt Col (retired) Udo Bösch, formerly a West German intelli-gence officer, now the head of administra-tion of the Republican organisation.

THE Republican programme is suffused with demands that Germany must regain its pride, that any German collective guilt for Nazism must be rejected. Herr Schönhuber recognizes Nazi crimes, but says that the Wallen SS were "an elite military unit misused for political ends". He says that though he has denounced Nazism, he cannot be expected to denounce "the men beside whom I fought for three years".

In his time, Herr Schönhuber has moved from the Social Democrats, whom he liked for their social programmes as well as their anti-Americanism, through the CSU - from which he was expelled when Ich war Dabei (I was there), his controversial autobiographical account of his Waffen SS years, appeared - to his present exposed position.

In the beer-halls, Herr Schönhuber can be a rabble-rouser, but before the television cameras, he is a soft-spoken, wellmannered man in a suit. All of this makes him an infernally hard for the established German parties to deal with - the more so when they are adopting parts of his programme. Their best hope is that enough of his supporters will get drunk and say in public what they really think.

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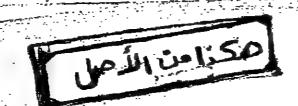
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Throughout northern Europe opposition to Maastricht is still growing, writes Nicholas Ridley



### Thank goodness the castle was not insured, or our premiums would go through the roof

sometimes think I imagined it, because nobody else seems to remember. Yet I am convinced that many years ago, when the world was new, there was a black-and-white advertisement on television in which a crudely drawn cartoon family took refuge inside an insurance document. It made a great impression on me at the time, perhaps because of the rather natty manner in which the said policy came flying out of the daddy's hands and then furled itself magically into a castellated stronghold, not unlike the Brunswick Tower at Windsor Castle. "Strong stuff this insurance," said clever daddy, bending out over the battlements and rapping twice (knock knock!) on the mock-Norman edifice. It looked marvellous, honestly, especially through the eyes of a six-year-old. "Get the strength of the insurance companies around you" said the voiceover at the end. And I vowed on the spot that I always would.

So the news on Friday that Windsor Castle was not insured came initially as a bit of a shock. When disasters strike our friends it is the first question we ask: "Were they insured? Oh, thank heavens for that." Only improvident people, we think, fail to clamber inside the policy castle and pull up the drawbridge. In fact now that it is commonplace to insure your property, life, trips abroad, credit cards and health (not to mention the continued mechanical goodwill of your washing machine), most people could probably build real walls out of their insurance stuff, thick enough to knock on.

So should Windsor Castle have been insured? Well, there are obvious reasons why it was not. But nobody should be under the illusion that a valid home protector policy for St George's Hall would have removed the tricky problem of who will pay up. The famous estimated tens of millions would simply have been slapped on our washing machine premiums, just like that. We have had a narrow escape then. I keep having visions of this archetypal man from the Pru patiently calling at Windsor like clockwork, first of every month, year after year. "Did you find a moment to glance at the literature?" he shouts through the boited door, only to be ritually rebuffed when the sharp end of a polo mallet is shoved through the letterbox, iabbing him in the abdomen. "Go away," he hears from inside, "push off". But thank goodness

Te have already reached the stage of insuring our insurance, or so it seems to me. But soon I expect they will exploit our hydra-headed fears by offering insurance against huge leaps in premium charges, brought about by massive one-off claims such as Windsor Castle. It is an obvious step. Last week I stood open-mouthed and gesticulating in an AA shop when, having reluctantly succumbed to the ultimate guard-us-against-all-evil (an emergency phone for the car). I was asked whether I wanted to pay extra for a three-year extended warranty. What? I said. Warranty? Were they implying that this phone might not work? "I am buying this as insurance!" I protested, "Must I thus take out insurance on my insurance?" But my appeal made no impact on the AA woman, who merely explained for the third time that the Warranty was an optional extra.

I was confusing insurance with protection, I suppose. This is understandable when you remember that I have spent my entire adult life envisaging insurance policies as Norman keeps (knock knock!), but it is also an easy mistake for anyone to fall into when words such as "cover" and "security" are regularly spotted in the vicinity. Insurance is just a crude, perverse form of gambling: basically, you stand on the kerb of life and bet good money that you won't make it across the road. And then, if somebody else gets knocked down by a bus, you pay extra on the way back. And that's it. So the symbolism of the Brunswick Tower burning like a torch against the night sky had an additional dimension for me. I must admit. I kept expecting to see that dever old daddy appear on the flaming battlements, saying: "Strong stuff this (cough cough). Eh? What's that? What do you mean it's not insured?"

### what has happened to the Treaty of Maastricht over the last six months, it seems incredible that European leaders seem still determined to

press on with it in Edinburgh The Danish rejection of the treaty in their referendum legally killed it; it needs unanimous rantication. Instead of accepting this, or waiting for a second and favourable referendum, EC leaders decided that they would all ratify, and put pressure on

the Danes by threatening to proceed without them. This was bullying, and dubiously legal. They also vowed not to renegotiate any part of the treaty.

The Danes have now come up with a list of four major items which they want negotiated, and they insist furthermore that they should be legally binding. If ever there had to be a total renegotiation, this is it, because the four items amount to Denmark opting out of the heart of the treaty. EC leaders blandly say that they will consider doing this by adding "protocols"—

although Jacques Delors has said that Denmark's requests

A corpse at Edinburgh munity going to give to the the single corrency, through the Danish demands, and when do structural funds and the sowe get it? More important, will the answer persuade the Danes

The prospects look bleak to me. But surely we need the answers before we proceed? The Danes are not the only ones who want to renegotiate the treaty. The Germans do too. It is ironic and irritating, that Chancellor Kohl has been strongest in his refusal to contemplate any renegotiation, jet his own parliament has demanded, and been granted by his govern-ment, the "right" to opt out of

to vote yes on the next occasion?

tion, or seeking the agreement of the other 11, just a decision to So Germany, Britain and Denmark all want the right to opt out of the single currency, and will presumably do so. But they are three of the member states who will have to pay for

the single currency, in order to

preserve the Deutschemark un-

sullied by lesser currencies. There was no talk of renegotia-

structural funds and the so-called "cohesion fund". Between them, they would be paying the lion's share of large expenditure for the benefit of Greece, Ireland, Spain, Italy and Portugal. It is the prospect of all this money which makes those poorer member states so keen on Maastricht. Soon they will wake up to the fact that the future payers are melting away. Will they still be so keen then?

Over the summer public opinion, throughout northern Europe at least, has hardened visibly against the treaty. Pollowing the Danish rejection. public opinion polls in Britain and Germany have shown consistent and large majorities against the treaty. In France the referendum result was a knifeedge 50.7 per cent in favour. Ireland voted yes more decisively, but Ireland is a major beneficiary of Community funds. It is impossible to interpret all this in any other way than as a majority in the

northern states against the treaty. Yet this is simply to be lost — democracy was about to ignored and brushed aside on give its true verdict. John Major the spurious argument that the people do not understand the treaty. Surely it should have their full hearted consent? ...

highlights the point.
We are denied a referendum on the grounds that we traditionally take all decisions through our system of parlia-mentary democracy. It is perhaps no coincidence that we know the treaty would be deci-sively rejected if there were to be a referendum. Yet our parliamentary democracy has been corrupted and besmirched by the nastiest whipping ever heard of Tory MPs were fureat-ened with deliberately runed careers, with the revelation of their extra-marital affairs, and denial of all assignments they might want. Pressure was put upon them in their constituencies and through their wives.

lost — democracy was about to give its true verdict. John Major then stooped so low as to make a major concession in private to timee MPs, which persuaded them at the last moment to vote for the government. One of those three MPs

confirmed in a letter to the Sunday Telegraph that Mr Major agreed to delay completion of the bill until the Danes had voted "yes" in a second referendum. Later, it emerged that the Danes might well not hold such a referendum until next September. We do not know what concessions the Danes will win nor whether they will vote yes in their second referendum. What, therefore, is the point of proceeding with the bill at all before then?

Those who oppose Masstrichi are accused of being anti-European, and wanting to leave the Community. This is not so: it is a choice between the centralised Maastricht concept

real open market for the whole of Europe Mr Major says Maastricint is a step away from centralisation. Commissioner Martin Bangernann szys it is a milestone on the road to a federal Europe". Herr Bangemann is right of course, but why does the prime minister try to

He also says that if the Community improves its defini-tion of "subsidiarity" it will help us, and the Danes, to understand the advantages of the treaty, Alas, even if it proved possible to agree on a legal definition of that word, it would only underline the importance of the policy areas from which the governments of member states will be excluded.

For Europe's leaders to press on with this treaty, basing their case on invalid arguments which have not persuaded the people of Europe, is unacceptable and a recipe for future disaster. At the Edinburgh summit, John Major must use his presidency to insist on a new and better way forward for the

Lord Ridley was Conservative MP for Cirencester and Tewkes-bury 1959-92.

# Who owns Windsor Castle?

The terrible fire raises questions about the royal family that can no

longer be fudged, says Janet Daley

there is always something apocalyptic about a great fire. Perhaps it was inevitable then that the conflagration at Windsor would give rise to hyperbole of mythical proportions. There are those who will see it as Götterdammerung - a judgment on the apparently lapsed morals of the royals or indeed on the prurient voyeurism of the nation of which the royals have become a symbol. Others seem to be taking it as a supernatural contribution to restoring the popularity of the monarchy. In this vein, the heritage secretary, Mr Peter Brooke, standing before the smoking ruins, implied that the most appropriate response to this disaster was personal sympathy for the Queen whose "own home" had been ravaged. While no one would wish to be hard-hearted about the dis-

tress which the royal family must feel, it seems peculiarly absurd to liken the monarch to a suburban matron who has returned home to find the roof over her head gone and her favourite possessions destroyed. One more example perhaps of the strange mix of feudal fealty and middle-class ordinariness which the royal image now encompasses. What has been lost belongs to us all, surely. Or does it? If ever there was a moment to decide, this is surely it. For the consequences of coming down on one side or the other of that question will be reckoned not only in taxpayers' money but in the terms on which we will relate to the throne for the next generation.

Mr Brooke's reaction and his immediate offer, on our behalf, to pay all the expenses of restoration, strike a peculiarly jarring note. Not only does his courtly devotion seem oddly anachronistic in a year in which royal behaviour has become inescapably modern, but he seems also to see no scope for dispute about the role which public money plays in the lives of the royals. To assume that there is nothing contentious, or even ambiguous, about any of these matters looks, in this of all

years, slightly bizarre. Now that the pillars of flame have subsided at the castle itself,

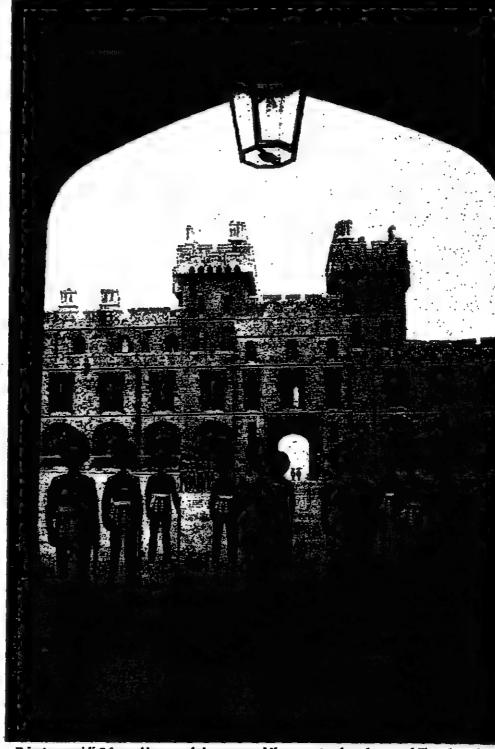
perhaps the more far-fetched metaphors and incongruous sentiment can die down as well. For the fire at Windsor is likely to invigorate serious debate about the monarchy rather than suppress it, not for the wilder reasons which involve possible divine judgments, but because the catastrophe will bring to a head questions which can no longer be fudged.
Mr Brooke's remarks em-

body the very contradiction which has provoked so much recent controversy over the role of the monarchy. Is the royal family composed of ordinary people who carry out constitutional services to the nation but whose lives, property and finances are no one's business but their own? Or do they somehow embody the historical continuity of the country - in which case their private behaviour and the seriousness of their commitment to that venerable responsibility is a legitimate matter of public concern. Are they private individuals doing a job for which they are paid by the state? Or are they public property, an institution in human form, hist-

perfectly feasible interpretation is that the royals have functions which are largely ceremordai - like Black Rod on a more elaborate scale - for which they are provided with a tax-free allowance. But this nominal role as head of state is a less significant, and less magical, one than most monarchists would recognise.

It is the grander vision in which, by a considerable stretching of imagination and historical veracity, the present holder of the throne is seen to descend from the ancient crowned heads of England which bedevils us. It is the baffling metaphysics of their dual identity as individuals and as vessels of our history which gives rise to our problems over this catastrophic accident and perhaps to their problems in conducting their lives. In the confusion over the

private and public dimensions of their existence, there is much room for political discontent. The suspicion that the royals are having it both ways does not



Private or public? A royal home only becomes public property when there are hills to be paid

help the cause of those who would support them. For the Queen to pay no taxes on her private wealth implies that she is not an ordinary crizen. But the fact that her accounts are now to be free from partiamentary scrutiny suggests that her expenditure is a private matter: that the monarch is not accountable in

the way generally thought proper for public figures in a

The fire has brought another example of this paradox to the fore. Buckingham Palace press spokesmen are standing by the statement quoted in the press on Sunday, that they had refused access to English Heritage

when it repeatedly requested permission to survey the areas of the castle being rewired and renovated. In a remarkably forthright statement, the palace is reported to have said, "Why should they [English Heritage] think they have access?" The building's fabric and what the buildings contain was, the palace said unequivocally, "the responsibility of the Royal Household." So it may seem that while the castle stands, it is theirs, but when it burns down,

Some commentations resolve this with a quasi-theological mystery: to the extent that iong to the monarch, they also belong to us because the holder of the throne is a symbol of crunch comes with the decision over who is to pay. Not because we are a relendessly mean or materialistic society which measures everything by its cost. But because vagne waffle about rights and ownership tend to dissolve magically when the bills come in

Labour heritage spokesman, Mrs Ann Clywd, asked Mr Brooke in the House yesterday whether he did not recognise that there was mease in the country at the idea that the entire cost should be met by government. Would he welcome a "contribution" from the royal family? He declined to

ichael Trend, the for Windsor, has exceptated politifor Windsor, has clans for "making political mis-chief over the fire. In a democracy, debating the future of our institutions does not count as "mischief". But this is perhaps another form of having it both ways. When the monarchy is put under examination in sny way — even to the extent of wishing to outline more clearly its role and responsibilities then it is a revered institution whose functions must never be

When it has problems which may arise precisely from the ambiguity and paradoxes inherent in its modern position, then ent in its modern position, then
it is a collection of individuals
who must be permitted to run
their private lives as they see fit - even if those private lives are being put under intolerable

This fire may indeed end up shedding more light than heat if the kinds of dissatisfaction and confusion which it brings to the surface are fairly discussed and not pushed aside as if they were tasteless or somehow impertinent. For those who sympathise with the royal family as much as for those who criticise them, the sad events of this year culminat-ing in the fire, ought not to be consigned to silence.

# On and on and on?

THOSE OF John Major's friends who thought they would never see the day - and their numbers have grown - will celebrate the second anniversary of the prime minister's move to Number 10 Downing Street on Saturday.

Like his predecessor, Major is coy about celebrating anniversaries. He will spend the weekend quietly at Chequers, where a private lunch will be held on Sunday for Mencap, Norma Major's favourite charity. Those expected to raise a glass to the Majors include Richard Ryder, the chief whip, Graham Bright, the PM's parliamentary private secretary, Lord Rix of Whitehall, Lord Archer of Weston-super-Mare and a cluster of the couple's friends from outside

Elsewhere the celebrations will be more exuberant in Huntingdon congratulations cards are already being dispatched to Number 10. Peter Brown, the Tory agent, says: "The prime minister will be with us next week and we will hold a suitable celebration then."

The champagne is already flowing at Number 18 Cayfere Street, WHEN T.S. Eliot's Murder in the Alan Duncan's pad, which was used as John Major's campaign amptonshire on Saturday night,

headquarters. Duncan, now MP for Rutland and Melton, is holding an open house for campaign workers, including Michael Howard, Francis Maude, Peter Lilley and Norman Lamont.

There will be no champagne in Lambeth, where Major was chairman of the housing committee in the 1970s. But Peter Golds, who introduced Major to Norma, has organised an anniversary card from his former council colleagues. "Champagne is not the Lambeth way," Golds says. "But a group of us plan to go to Brixton Road to the prime minister's favourite curry

house and order a big take-away."

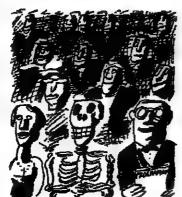
Baroness Thatcher is steering well clear of wakes and parties. She will be flying out of the country at the weekend on a speaking tour of the Far East. But she can take solace in the fact that Major has a long way to go before he beats her record. As Lord Archer says: "I will not be giving John a present until he has done at least 10 years."

Boning up Cathedral is performed in North-



Thomas à Becket will be occupying a front row seat. Or at least part of The church of St Mary the Vugin

at Whiston, Northamptonshire, boasts one of the few relics of the martyr, a bone which is normally



kept in the church safe. It will be unveiled to the audience during the Oxford Dance Theatre's perfor-mance of the play.

The church, which has not been

altered since it was consecrated in 1534 and still does not have electric lights, has had the relic for hondreds of years. The Rev David Johnson, who has just taken over the parish, says: "It only comes out on special occasions. I think this is one. Being a great fan of the play, I thought it would be novel to have Thomas in the audience with us."

## Kimono-rippers

THE British have Dame Barbara Cartland and the Japanese have Uno Chiyo, who is 95 this week. But the doyenne of Japanese literature would have Dame Barbara's heroines reaching for the smelling salts. Uno has become one of Japan's leading literary figures by writing stormy love stories based upon her own entanglements.

There is no sign, despite her age, that she is running out of material.

Love notes written in blood, lovers attempting suicide and endless passionate affairs are her stock in trade. To coincide with her birthday Peter Owen is publishing for the fast time in English The Story of A Single Woman by Uno Chiyo.
Owen says: "She is not in the best of



The Venerable George Cassidy, the Archdeacon of London, has just played host to Mark Hick, a pupil of Christ's Hospital, who has rediscovered an ancient privilege which allows any pupil "possessed of sufficient assurance" to ascend to the highest part of St Paul's Cathedral. "It has not happened before in living memory," says Cassidy, who is hoping that it does not lead to horden of boys presenting themselves.

health but she is still writing for from the Commons tonight. But magazines. There will be buge birthday celebrations in Japan, where she is extremely well known not just for her novels but also for owning one of the most fashionable strand. David Faber, Tory MP for

rather than the doorways of the Strand David Faber, Tory MP for owning one of the most isshionable
limono shops in Tokyo".

Westbury and a grandson of Harold Macmillan, will join fellow
Tory Geoffrey Clifton-Brown, the
Mil be joined by an novice dossers

colm Wicks and Liberal Democra:
Don Foster. They are supporting
National Sleep Out and promoting the plight of the homeless but
are allowing themselves the luxury

## In bed with Bill

ISLINGTON Council may be in danger of losing its hard-won rep-utation for left-wing lunacy. Not content with having lost its leader to a firm of chartered accountants. it is now fighting to become the first British borough to twin with Bill

Clinton's home state of Arkansas. In the past the councillors, re-nowned for their support of minor-ity causes, have forged links with left-wing politicians in Bucharest and Grenada. But the idea of replacing the red flag over the town hall with the stars and stripes is gaining ground. Alan Barnard, agent to the Islington MP and shadow environment secretary Chris Smith, spent three weeks in Arkansas helping the Clinton

campaign.
The idea has also gone down well with Joe Simpson, an Islington Labour councillor who partnered Clinton on the squash courts at Oxford. Smith, who is heading for Washington to meet Al Gore's environmental team in a week's time. says he may raise the issue then.

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# **MAJOR'S PROGRESS**

How to save Britain's EC presidency from "disaster"

After the euphoria of last year's Maastricht Britain's EC partners were stung by public summit, Europe's hangover seems worse than it should. The aftershocks of Black Wednesday continue to ripple through the European monetary system; with each realignment the dream of European monetary union recedes. The European Commission expects EC unemployment to rise to 11 per cent next year, with economic growth falling to no more than I per cent. And the British presidency, of course, is a disaster.

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Of course: for the one certainty attaching to the rotating presidency of the EC is that shortly before the end of each country's sixmonth turn, other governments will start to mutter about the current president's incompetence, indecision or chaotic mismanagement. There is virtue in this competition to be the government that has done the best for Europe. But it has also led to summit decisions that are ill thought-out or premature, as each government strains every muscle to pull a respectable number of rabbits from the hat at the final summit.

This is what John Major should avoid, as he begins the ritual round of capitals prior to Edinburgh. Denmark's rejection of Maastricht, deepening recession and currency turmoil are commonly held to have dealt Britain a rough hand. The timetable has slipped on almost all Britain's known priorities for Europe, notably enlargement of the EC, a settlement of the Danish problem and negotiations on the EC's new budget. But what is far more important, and less widely remarked, is the way in which this year's events have conspired to reinforce the British vision of a Europe of competitive free trade and minimal intervention from

the Brussels bureaucracy.
The further that EMU recedes in practice, the less urgent is the Maastricht treaty. France and Germany know they could kill the treaty dead by vetoing Denmark's proposals; if Edinburgh fails to solve the problem, it is hardly a disaster. By contrast,

criticism that they wasted last month's Birmingham summit in theological debate on subsidiarity instead of addressing Europe's pressing economic problems. They need to show that the EC's leadership lives on the same planet as its people.

Mr Major can build on this by concentrating at Edinburgh on two achievable goals, and the orchestration of one piece of mood music. His first priority is to save French face over last week's farm trade deal, where a French veto could sabotage the far more important Gatt Uruguzy round of trade talks. For this, he needs President Mitterrand's prior agreement that a vote is appropriate only when the entire Uruguay round package — from which France stands to gain heavily — is complete. The summir could then simply instruct the Commission to seek a Gatt deal by the year's end.

Edinburgh's second goal should be the conclusion of preparations for a single market by December 31. Opening for business is not enough. The EC's 282 single market regulations could too easily be ignored by some governments, abused by others. Britain should seek agreement on steps to prevent cheating.

For mood music, he will do well to try a British variation on Jacques Delors's "growth initiative". This grand design for investment in public works is unconvincing: the funds proposed would barely serve to improve London's Northern line. The right response is not to oppose it, however, as Britain did until this week, but to make economic growth the centrepiece of Edinburgh. A concerted growth strategy, based on targeted increases in capital spending by all EC members, could win broad support. Recovery in Europe is essential to recovery in Britain. It is also essential to the dream of European union. Mr Major could borrow a slogan from Bill Clinton in the weeks before Edinburgh: the economy, stupid.

# **DEATH IN LUBECK**

Bonn's reaction must not be too little as well as too late

The German government yesterday expressed "outrage, bitterness and sorrow" at the deaths of three Turks, burned to death when neo-Nazis set fire to a house in a Turkish quarter of Lübeck. The words do not begin to describe the shame felt by most Germans at the unspeakable atrocity, with all its terrifying echoes of the past. Nor do they compensate for the inertia of the Bonn government in the face of xenophobic violence that has swept Germany, east and west, for the past year. The deaths of two women and a child, born in Germany, come in the wake of more than 1,800 attacks on foreign asylum-seekers.

Chancellor Helmut Kohl's government has watched the steady growth of right-wing violence, political extremism and even antisemitism - especially in former East Germany — with an almost inexplicable paralysis. A botched display of democratic outrage in the recent official Berlin demonstration was intended to show solidarity with the victims. But not until last week did the interior ministers of the 16 states meet to work out a common strategy against the neo-Nazis. Only now is the government looking for evidence — clear as can be - that such organised thuggery constitutes a threat to German democracy as deadly as that posed by the Red Army Faction and other extreme leftist groups. Only now is there talk of banning extremist parties and passing exemplary sentences on

those who attack hostels. Where is the decisive address to the nation from the chancellor? Why has he not visited one of the firebombed hostels, received representatives of the ethnic minorities now cowering in unprotected hostels? Why has it been left to President von Weizsäcker to voice the fears of Germany's neighbours that there is little neo about the neo-Nazis?

It is not only Herr Kohl's government that shares the biame for inaction, however. The Social Democrats, as exaggerated compensation for the totalitarian past, have refused to countenance the tough measures need to stem such violence. They have resisted a tightening of the law on demonstrations, fearing that this could be used against the left. They have quibbled about when neo-Nazi salutes with the hand flat or the fingers making a V-sign are a violation of the law. Germany's vaunted federal system may be a safeguard against dictatorial centralism. But the lack of proper police co-ordination between the Lander has made it hard to fight the far right on a nationwide scale. And in east Germany local politicians and the courts have been intolerably lenient in dealing with extremism. The long SPD resistance to any change in the constitution has allowed the influx of asylum-seekers to build up to levels that are now causing a social explosion.

The government must now look again at its reluctance to ban extremist parties. It must involve the federal government more decisively in the prosecution of extremists. It must persuade state governments to implement immediately the decision they took to deploy more police to protect people at risk. And it must send out the message, to Germans and to the world, that Germans will not tolerate Nazism. Never again.

# THE WISDOM OF YOUTH

Judges should be chosen before they qualify for a free bus pass

"Now I am a judge. I shall never, never budge." is often sung in the finale of Gilbert and Sullivan's Trial by Jury. The sentiment is not as fanciful as many uttered by Gilbert's characters. A survey just published by Solicitors Journal finds 86 per cent believing the retirement age for judges should be earlier than 75 with most favouring either 60 or 65.

But the answer is not a simple one. At the same time as judges are considered too old, the shortage of High Court judges is described as "scandalous" by the Lord Chief Justice. If judges were to retire earlier, the pressure on the courts would intensify. Can the circle be squared?

The Lord Chancellor's department, which appoints judges, is forever bemoaning the shortage of suitable candidates for the bench. Yet the pool from which it chooses is kept artificially small. In practice, to qualify for a judgeship, a candidate has to be a highflying barrister, to have been a Queen's Counsel for some years, to be thought a good chap by his seniors and peers and, preferably, to be white middle-class and male. Those doing the selecting tend to pick others in their own image, a process that is naturally described as "appointing on

Although the government brought in legislation nearly 18 months ago to open the High Court bench to solicitors too, not a single solicitor has yet been appointed. One of the qualifications for being a judge is supposed to be experience of advocacy, yet it is hard to believe that only those who have spent their lives being partial are qualified for a job that above all requires fairmindedness.

The first prerequisite ought to be a good legal mind. That is present in solicitors as well as barristers. There is no shortage of clever lawyers in this country, only of middleaged barristers willing to give up a huge income for a large one. If the Lord Chancellor were to look equally kindly on solicitors, his pool would immediately widen.

It would widen still further were he to consider younger candidates. Youth, or indeed early middle age, should be no disqualification for dispensing justice. The magistrate's bench has justices in their 20s and 30s. The prime minister himself is in his 40s. These jobs involve responsibility and good judgment. Why then do most judges not start their careers until their 50s or 60s?

Young lawyers should be able to aim at one of three pinnades: a partner in a solicitors' firm, a high-earning QC, or a judge. If candidates could start earlier without having to spend time on all the lower judicial rungs, the Lord Chancellor would find it easier to appoint women and ethnic minorities, since they are better

represented among younger lawyers. Judges would then have more in common with the people on whom they pass sentence. They would start with a sharper mind and would spend longer in the job. Most important, they would shake off the fuddyduddy, out-of-touch image that has bedevilled their profession. A 35-year-old judge might even have heard of the Beatles.

# LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

1 Pennington Street, London Et 9XN Telephone 071-782 5000

From Ms Frances Halanan

Sir. Many people have lamented the

tragic loss at Windsor Castle but

expressed relief at the saving of most of

the paintings, with which I am sure al!

would agree. But paintings, however

valuable, are only a small section of the visual arts and, in this case, of what has been exposed to loss and damage.

of the architectural ornament.

mouldings and carvings, the early

looking glasses, their frames, the

locks, door knobs, chandeliers, giran-

doles, wallpaper or hangings, dec-orative ceilings, fireplaces and so on.

Frequently even sculpture is ignored.

created all that can be included in the

fields of decorative and applied art are

often unknown and unsung but were

able to exhibit skill and sensitivity

equal to those of the painters.

The need for restoration in this case

should not cause us to overlook the

conservators who work with, say,

furniture, sculpture, clocks, plaster

ceilings, ceramics or books, as op-

posed to those who work with paint-

Sir. Sir Roy Strong has contended that

the Windsor Castle fire represented

the greatest heritage loss of this

century. The burning down of the Crystal Palace in the Thirties may

I hope English Heritage does not

simply replace what has been irremev-

ably lost by reproduction, fake history.

and that the opportunity is grasped to

acknowledge the fire. Future genera-tions should be able to realise its extent by means of contemporary interiors

A seamless and mindless replace-

ment (which I fear will occur would

not have been countenanced by an

earlier age. Perhaps the powers that

were at that time had more confidence

and greater courage than we tend to

capital receipts from any new sales of

council homes. But it appears that

these funds are not to be ringfenced

for housing provision. Meanwhile, they are still prevented from using more than 25 per cent of capital

receipts from houses they have pre-

viously sold, and the amount of money

they will be allowed to borrow for new

housing investment is to be cut by

We see the Statement as a series of

short-term measures. Welcome as

some of them are, they fall pitiably

short of the new housing policy which

the people of Britain so badly need.

Yours sincerely, FRANCES HALAHAN

Conservation consultants.

52 Boscombe Road, W12.

From Dr Bruce Marsden

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Yours sincerely, BRUCE MARSDEN.

Marsden Architecture

November 32.

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Yours etc.,

(President).

Coalition.

RONALD BOWLBY

Central Buildings,

Churches' National Housing

Oldham Street, Manchester 1.

and Planning. 35-37 Alfred Place, WC1.

The artists and craftsmen who

Too little mention is generally made

# How to restore Windsor Castle and who should pay

Yours faithfully

at this time.

Yours faithfully

November 23.

apprenticeships?

PRISCILLA GLOVER.

Rossie Mills House.

By Montrose, Angus.

From Mr David Catton

Yours faithfully.

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Yours faithfully,

November 23.

DAVID CATTON.

JOHN BURCHMORE.

Ryde, Isle of Wight.

From Mrs P. G. Glover

Quarr Hill House. Quarr Hill.

EVAN M. DAVIES.

From Dr John Burchmore

right if the government gave them more funds. Perhaps the BEC should

have said: "If the taxpayer foots the

31 Castle Street, Farmham, Surrey

Sir, I am encouraged to hear that her

Majesty's government has promised

that the castle will be fully restored but

I. and I am sure others, would like to

contribute towards the cost of some

aspect of the restoration, both as a way

of showing our pride in our national

heritage and as a way of declaring our

loyalty and affection to our Sovereign

Sir, If the government is to fund

repairing Windsor Castle, could not it

be made a stipulation in contracts, for

the multiplicity of trades involved, that

a proportion of those employed be

young people taken off the un-employed register, or perhaps on

From Mr George Ferguson

Sir. It was predictable that there should be political calls for the Queen to pay for the repair of Windsor Castle. It is only reasonable however that HM government should act as the guardians of our national heritage's most remarkable monuments

Now that so much has been lost, no reproduction can quite catch the spirit of the age in which a work of art or craft was created, aithough it would be wrong to imply that the skills no longer exist. There are many fine craftsmen in this country, but my fear is that the deep recession in the construction industry is destroying the tradition of apprenticeship so essential to the maintenance and development of these skills.

It seems to me that there is now an opportunity at Windsor for the Royal Family to put into practice some of the admirable principles which they have so successfully encouraged elsewhere. Their contribution could be to launch a trust for the purpose of turning the repair of Windsor Castle into a teaching laboratory for the conservation of materials and the practice of fine traditional crafts. Then maybe one day we shall be able to look back to the fire as having been a disaster out of which we gained more for the future than we lost from the past.

Yours faithfully, GEORGE FERGUSON (Managing Director), Ferguson Mann (architects), Royal Colonnade 18 Great George Street. Bristol, Avon.

From Mrs F. Leon-Smith

Sir. It seems premature for the Sir, I cannot see any reason why the government to offer to pay for the repairs to Windsor Castle. We are told Queen should not herself pay to repair damage caused to those parts of the it was deliberate policy not to have castle which are not open to the public. insurance cover because of the cost. If the damage were found to have been caused by negligence on behalf of the contractors, for example, surely they Yours faithfully,

F. LEON-SMITH, The Niven Suite, The Mansion, Ottershaw Park, Surrey. November 21.

From Mr Evan M. Davies

Lost in space

Christian fold".

From Dr John Billingham

Sir, Reporting the fire at Windsor Castle, the BBC Television newsreader last Friday evening described the damage and said: "It is likely the taxpayer will have to foot the bill."

People interviewed daily almost invariably comment that all could be

Sir, Bernard Levin, in his otherwise

amusing article on "Heretics from

outer space" (November 16), states

that the National Aeronautics and

Space Administration (Nasa) is play-

ing a leading role in a program

"scientists who run the telescope at

Tucson, Arizona" to "search through-

out space to find extraterrestrial

beings and bring them into the

Nasa is doing no such thing. There

is a Nasa program which is now

searching for radio signals transmit-

ted by other civilisations. It is known

as the High Resolution Microwave

Survey and uses large radio-telescopes

around the world. But this project has

no connection with the Varican or

It is my understanding that the

Vatican Observatory is conducting

programs in optical astronomy in conjunction with the Stewart Obser-

vatory of the University of Arizona,

Nasa is strictly a scientific and

engineering organisation. We have

no connection with the Vatican. Mr

Levin might want to check with the

Catholic Church on this matter, but

he should certainly check his facts

before generating new and mislead-ing myths with which further to

confuse your terrestrial readers.

Sincerely yours.
JOHN BILLINGHAM (Chief),

Office for the Search for

Extraterrestrial Intelligence,

National Aeronautics and

Space Administration.

Ames Research Centre.

California 94035-1000.

From Mr Nicolas Walter

Sir, Bernard Levin mocks that if

religious organisations began to

proselytise among alien beings I would soon "be demanding a soap-

box for the National Secular Society".

indicates, we are interested in this

world and not any other, whether in

space or in time; and I must add that

when we wish to put our case we do so

without asking anyone else for per-mission or facilities.

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I must point out that, as our title

Moffett Field,

November 17.

Yours etc..

NICOLAS WALTER

National Secular Society

702 Holloway Road, N19.

(Vice-President).

November 17.

with an Arizona telescope.

with quite different objectives.

Housing needs

Cobblestones, Gustard Wood,

Wheathamostead, Hertfordshire,

From the Right Reverend Ronald

would have been insured to cover

public liability. This is a normal

business precaution and one which

most companies have in place to

protect themselves and their employ-

Sir, It would be comforting to see in the Chancellor's Autumn Statement (report, November 13) a new longterm economic policy for meeting housing need. Sadly, a close reading The £750 million boost to housing

associations consists largely of public money brought forward from funds earmarked for 1993-4 and, to a greater extent than in the past, private money will have to be used as well. The net result will be higher rents which will make housing even less affordable than it now is for many people, especially those with low earnings.

Local authorities will no doubt welcome the ability to use, over the next 12 months, 100 per cent of

First catch your boar

Sir. Lady Richmond fletter. Novem-

ber 131 is concerned that Frances

From Dr W. D. Booth

November 13. is an excellent one, and one to which ! adhere, being part of the impoverished farming class.

She mentions esoteric ingredients

in Frances Bissell's recipes, and in-

deed wild boar might be considered to

directly with factory farming, some-

thing we refuse to take part in: our

pigs enjoy the highest welfare imag-

People need not eat a lot of meat

protein but they should question the

conditions under which it is grown.

Maybe then farmers might begin to

be appreciated by a nation that seems

not to want to know how its food

arrives on the plate in such abundance

compared to so many other nations who lack even the basic staples.

Yours faithfully,

Upper Eldon Farm,

HELEN SUTHERLAND.

King's Somborne, Hampshire.

Bissell's recipes are becoming more be so, but the dish is obviously esoteric, as exemplified by her recipe intended for high days and holidays. for wild boar and grouse pie. Lady We are one of the producers she Richmond relates her concern to the mentioned in her column (November absence of wild boar in supermarkets 7), producing the crossbreed Wild and implies that too much attention is Blue, and it is by diversifying into such being given to exotic foods not readily "esoteric" fields that we are trying "simply" to survive in farming. As founder and secretary of the Cheap, lean-meat protein equates British Wild Boar Association, I wish

to comment that food products once relatively unknown are now widely available, e.g., oyster mushrooms and farmed venison. Although supplies of wild boar are scarce, there is considerable scope for

expanding the market and articles like Frances Bissell's do much to assist Yours faithfully,

DEREK BOOTH. Fen End Cottage, 30 Fen Road, Milton, Cambridge.

From Ms Helen Sutherland Sir, Lady Richmond's maxim, "live simply so that others may simply live".

Europe's bad press From Mr Gyles Brandreth. MP for City of Chester (Conservative)

Sir, Your diarist reports (November 23) that a new EC directive will result in a ban on the stirring of the Navy's giant Christmas puddings in the traditional way - with a wooden oar" because it's unhygienic. I am sure it is unhygienic but I am equally sure that a determined Royal Navy will contimue to get away with it.

Spreading word about Euro-lunacy may be good sport, but is it always responsible journalism? Recently 1 saw a television news report claiming that another EC directive would oblige our fishermen to wear hairners and showing a fisherman in a hairner as if to prove it.

This is a fantasy, with no more basis in truth than the widely-spread rumours of recent months that the EC was about to ban round and soft cheeses, home-made jam. prawncocktail crisps, milkmen and the boys and girls who deliver newspapers.

Euro-myths like these abound and would be amusing were it not for the fact that many people believe them and, incredibly, clearly want to believe them. Is seeing the worst in everything a national characteristic?

Yours faithfully, GYLES BRANDRETH, House of Commons. November 23.

School exams 'league tables'

From Mr John Cochrane

Sir. Exam boards can be chosen more for their results profiles than for their curriculum content treports. November 19. letters, November 21) Pupils can be steered into easier subjects, or encouraged to concentrate, particularly at A level, on subjects they find easiest, even if this perpetuates illu-eracy among the numerate and innumeracy among the literate.

Teacher resources can be concentrated into turning potential Digrades into Cigrades, thus boosting the all-important proportion of pupils with five A-G grades at the expense of pupils of both higher and lower academic ability.

A school that currently advises its

less academic pupils to take a mix of GCSE and City and Guild papers may well see the need to drop the City and Guild papers, as these do not score in the table, and to enter these pupils for additional and less appropriate GCSE exams as this will score more points in the "% of pupils with 5 A-G grades" column.

Such strategies would improve a school's ranking in the table but would not improve the overall edu-cation of the pupils in the school. A league table that drives schools to make such decisions is perverse. A government that designs and promotes it so heavily should be forced to think again.

Finally, the tables only show one year's results: a three or four-year average would smooth out the biggest variable, the changing quality of intake, but this would need to be shown against the best result of the recent past to demonstrate the school's potential.

Yours sincerely. JOHN COCHRANE. Fairstear House, Leafield, Witney, Oxford, November 19.

From the Secretary of the Headmusters' Conference

Sir. Your education correspondent rightly raised some of the concerns of those in the teaching profession about the publication of examination results for comparative purposes (report. November 18). The current exercise by the Department for Education is not better, and in some respects much worse, than those undertaken by various newspapers in recent years. This explains why independent schools, whose results have been already subject to substantial scrutiny, were less than enthusiastic about this particular scheme and remain hostile to the whole business of publishing league tables.

Only those children whose fifteenth or seventeenth birthdays occurred in the chosen 12-month period had their results recorded. As a result many children who were taking the examinations early, and thes usually the academically most able, were excluded. In some subjects in some independent schools such candidates accounted for over 30 per cent of the entry: and this is not a problem confined to independent schools.

Moreover, there are many young people who for good reasons are taking examinations over-age. Alone with those candidates who leave school after taking examinations early their results will never be reported.

The DFE has promised to look at this aspect of its reporting again. We strongly urge that reporting should relate to the school year (not the pupil's age) and in the meantime advise those who have read the publication to apply a proper scep-

Yours faithfully VIVIAN ANTHONY. Secretary, Headmasters' Conference. 130 Regent Road, Leicester.

From Mr Michael Willcox

Sir. The government's objectives must now be clear: to ensure that educational funds are channelled into the areas where they are most needed.

The most deserving schools are easy to find. They appeared at the bottom of the league tables in today's Times.

Yours faithfully, MICHAEL WILLCOX. 58 Albert Road West, Bolton, Lancashire, November 19.

# Pounds out of pocket

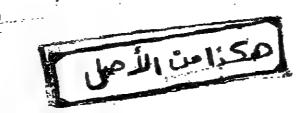
From Mr Simon T. Grice

Sir. I have a short contract to work at a European research establishment in Switzerland, but I am being paid by a British university in pounds sterling into a bank account in the UK. In July the research establishment paid the university a lump sum, corresponding to four months' salary, converted from Swiss francs.

Every month I transfer my salary from my UK bank account to Switzerland. Since July the pound has fallen from 2.5 SF to about 2.1, so when I transferred my salary last month I lost approximately 16 per cent.

The UK and the Swiss banks do not have it and neither do the university or the research establishment. I do not have it either, so where is it?

Yours sincerely. SIMON GRICE Chez Salma Alshamsy. 3 Rue des Hautains. 01630 St-Genis-Pouilly. France November 20.





# **COURT CIRCULAR**

**BUCKINGHAM PALACE** November 23: The Queen and The Duke of Edinburgh were present at a Reception this evening given by the Shrievahy Association it St James's Pelace.

Her Majesty and His Royal Highness were received by the Chairman of the Shrievalty Association (Captain Jeremy Elwes) and the Chairman of the Board of the Sheriff's Millenium (Mr Hugh Wentworth Ping).

The Countess of Airlie, the Rt Hon Sir Robert Fellowes and Lieutenant Colonel Blair Stewart-Wilson were in attendance. The Duke of Edinburgh, Trustee

George's House Council Meeting at St George's House, Windsor

His Royal Highness, Ranger of Windsor Great Park, this afternoon planted a tree to comme rate the Millenium of the Office of High Sheriff in the Great Park,

Mr Brian McGrath was in

**BUCKINGHAM PALACE** November 23: The Princess Royal, Chief Commandant, Women's Royal Naval Service, this morning visited Gutter Tor Refuge, Dart-moor, Devon, and was received by the Executive Officer, HMS Raleigh (Commander Rodney O'Connor, RN).

Her Royal Highness, Patron. the Butler Trust, this afternoon visited Her Majesty's Prison Dartmoor, Princetown, and was re-ceived by Her Majesty's Lord-Lieutenant for Devon (Lieutenant Colonel the Earl of Morley). The Princess Royal, Patron.

National Association of Victims' Support Schemes, afterwards at-tended the Victim Support Annual General Meeting at the Park Inn International Hotel, 47 Lillie Road, London SW6.

Mrs Richard Carew Pole was in attendance. KENSINGTON PALACE

November 23: The Princss of Wales, a Royal Master of the bench of the Honourable Society of the Middle Temple, this evening attended a Dinner at the Middle Temple, London EC4. Captain Edward Musto RM was in attendance.

KENSINGTON PALACE November 23: The Duchess of Gloucester, Chief Patron, Women Caring Trust for the Children of Northern Ireland), this evening attended the House of Lords , House of Commons Charity Swim in aid of the Trust at Dolphin Square, London SW1.
Mrs Michael Wigley was in

# Today's royal engagements

The Queen and the Duke of Edinburgh will attend a knicheon at Guildhall at 12.30 given by the Corporation of London to mark 40th anniversary of Her Maj-

esty's accession. The Princess of Wales will visit the Woodlands Centre, Kilwinning Road, Irvine, Ayrshire, at 11.50: vill open Red Cross House, at 12.55; and will visit the Sweater Shop, Cumnock, at 2.35.

The Duke of York, petron, will attend the Contemporary Dance
Trust's gala fundraising performance at Sadler's Wells at 7.25.
Prince Edward will amend a performance of Hamler by the
Royal New Zealand Bailet at
Dengate, Guldhall Road, Northampton, at 7.25. The Princess Royal, as President of

the Save the Children Fund, will onen the additional headquarters ffice accommodation and attend a huncheon at 66 South Lambeth Road at noon; and, as Master of the Loriners' Company, will attend a court dinner at Saddlers' Hall at 7.20.

The Duke of Gloucester will present the Rallway Heritage Awards at the Royal Society of Arts at 11.00; will attend a reception at Bolton Town Hall at 6.25; and will attend a gala evening at Howell Croft. South Bolton at 7.35 to mark the 25th anniversary of the Octagon Theatre.

The Duchess of Gloucester, as Patron of the Foundation for the Research and Support), will amend delivered the 1992 Andrew Hum-

Bucks Club, will attend the pa-tron's dinner at the club, 18 Clifford Street, at 7.55. Princess Alexandra will open the new work rehabilitation scheme at 52 Moxon Street, High Barnet, at 3.00 on behalf of the Richmond Fellowship; and will attend a concert at Merchant Taylors' Hall at 7.10 arranged by the Britain-Nigeria Association.

### Birthdays today Viscount Alanbrooke, 60; Mr

David Blakey, chief constable, West Mercia, 49; the Marquess of West Mercus, 49; the Marquess or Blandford, 37; Mr Lynn Chadwick, sculptor, 78; Mr Billy Connolly, comedian, 50; Miss Beryl Cooper, QC, 65; Judge Elisabeth Fisher, 48; Admiral Sir Anthony Griffin, 72; Lond John-Mackle, 83; Mr David Kosseff, author actions of the control of th David Kossoff, actor and author, 73; General Sir Richard Lawson, 65; Sir Claus Moser, warden, Wadham College, Oxford, 70; Mr Charles Osborne, author, 65; Mr Alun Owen, actor and scriptwier, 67: Miss Vivien Saunders, golfer, 46; the Right Rev P.S Temple, former Bishop of Malmesbury, 76; Mr Paul Thorburn, rugby player, 30.

### Lecture Air League

Field Marshal Sir Richard Vincent, Chief of the Defence Staff, square at 4.30.

The Duke of Kent, as Patron of the

# Forthcoming marriages

Mr S.A. Barise and Miss S.A. Roife

The engagement is announced between Scott, elder son of Mr and Mrs D.S. Barker, of Christchurch, New Zealand, and Sarah, youngest daughter of Mr and Mrs J.R. Rolfe, of Ealing, London.

Mr A.E. Buchan and Miles S.J. Piches

The engagement is announced between Alexander, son of the Hon William and Mrs Buchan, and Sarah Janet, daughter of Mr George Pickles and of Mrs Patricia Pickles, of St Ives, Cornwali. Mr R.J.A. Edwards and Miss A.L.B. Rand

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Mr R.J. Ivey and The Hon K.B. Turner

The engagement is announced between Rupert, third son of Mr and Mrs John Ivey, of I Bemish Road, London, SW15, and Kosie, younger daughter of the late Lord Netherthorpe and Belinda Lady Netherthorpe, of Boothby Hall, Grantham, Lincolnshire,

Mr B.G. Lochead
and Miss L. Durlos
The engagement is announced
between Brian, son of Mr and Mrs
J.K. Lochead, of London, and Isabelle, daughter of Mr and Mrs Y. Duclos, of Neully, France. Mr D.L. Masters and Miss B.S.J. Levett

The engagement is announced between Daniel, only son of Mrs Carole Deanne Masters, of St John's Wood, London, and the late Mr Norris David Masters, and Blythe, elder daughter of Mr and Mrs Gordon Levett, of

Knebworth, Hertfordshire. Mr I. Waterfield and Miss M. Davles The engagement is announced between lan, son of Mr John

Waterfield, of Western Park. Leicestershire, and Mrs Marion Williams, of Wigston, Leicestershire, and Melanie, eldest daughter of Mr George Davies, of Snowshill Hill, Gloucestershire, and Mrs Anne Davies, of Kirby Munioe Leocatershire.

### Queen's College, London

The Right Hon Lord Jenkins of Hillhead, Chancelor of Oxford University, delivered the annual University, occurrent the annual L.M. Dean Lecture at Queen's College on Thursday, November 19. He spoke on the subject of Leadership, with reference to four twentieth century Prime Ministers.

The Senior Content Rhot Erron. The Senior Student, Ebru Erron, gave a speech of thanks. Sir Peter Leslie, Chairman of the Council of Queen's College, presided at a function for the speaker, members of the Council, and heads of department held afterwards.

Legal appointments Mrs Rosemary Melling to be chief inspector of the Magistrates' Courts Service Inspectorate: Mr Duncan Gear to be the first

Judith Shepherd, Tamasin Little and Paolo Chirardani have be-come parmers at Stephenson Harwood.



A formal portrait of the Queen and the Duke of Edinburgh in the Long Corridor at Windsor Castle, issued to coincide with the lunch given in Guildhall today by the Corporation of London to mark the fortieth anniversary of the accession

# Dinners

The Earl of Landerdale The Earl of Lauderdale was host at a dinner last night at the Houses of Parliament. The guest of honour was the Right Hon Ian Leng, MP, Secretary of State for Scotland.

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Others present were:

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Ed Exploration UKL, Mr Reith Jameson
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M Denil Gognal-Nyegaard Viceprasident, Elf Exploration - Europel, Sir
Michael Grylks, Mr. Lord Marsh, Mr
Sydney Masson, PSVA, Frofessor Peter
Moore (director, Elf Petroleum UKL, Mr
James Prokridge (chairman, Elf Atochem
UKL, M. Michael Romieu (chairman, Elf
Enterprise Caledonia), Mr James Wallage,
Mr, Mr John Watts, PCA, MP, and Lord
Variey.

St Peter's Research Trust Dr F.D. Thompson, Chairman of St Peter's Research Trust, was host

at a dinner held at the Chenesion Restaurant, the Milestone, Ken-Residurant, the Milestone, Ken-sington, on Monday, November 23. Among those present were: Sir Ronald and Lady Arculus, Sir Hugh and Lady Sixwell, Sir Stephen and Lady Sperma, Sarl and Countess Perrers, Mr M Ponte, Sir Pest and Lady Gadden. Sir William and the Hon Lady Gadden. Sir William and the Hon Lady Goodbart, Miss Victoria Handevich, Mr and Mrs Roser Henderson. Sir Peser and Lady Holmes, Sir David and Lady Monsy-Counts. Prodems, Lady Morrison-Sell, Professor G.H. Nelid, Mr P.S. Riddis.

Royal College of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists

dent of the Royal College of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists and Mrs Simmons, received the guests at the annual dinner of the College held on Friday, November

20. The principal guest, Sir John Peel, Past President of the College, proposed the mast to the College, to which the Presid replied Professor Andrew Sims replied to the toast of the guests, proposed by Mr Michael Pawson. Other guests

included: mychargi.

Mrs Rosie Barnes, Dr Edwin Borman,
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Pinker, Lord Portin, Mr Kanneth Ray,
Dante Rosemary Rue and Professor
Alastair Sperce.

### Service dinner

14th/20th King's Hussars Major-General Sir Michael Paimer, Colonel of the 14th/20th Kings Hussars presided at the final annual dimer, before amal-gamation, held last night at the Cavelry and Guards Chib.

### Luncheon Prime Minister

The Prime Minister was host at a luncheon held yesterday at 10 Downing Street in honour of Mr Suleyman Demirel, Prime Min-ister of Turkey. The other guests

Williamet Cetin, Mr Tahir Röse, Mr Cavit Cadlar, the Turkish ambassadar. Professor Roure Gönnesy, the Hon Douglas Hurd, MP, Mr Richard Needham, MP, Viscount Christoric, Mr John Goulden and Mr Siephan Wall.

# Reception

Millennium of High Sheriffs of England and Wales The Queen and the Duke of Edinburgh attended a reception given last night at St James's Palace by Captain Jeremy Elwes, Chairman of the Shrievalty Association, and Mr Hugh Wentworth Ping, Chairman of the Sheriff's Millennum 1992, to mark the 1,000 years of the office of High Sheriff.

### College of Estate Management

The President of the Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors, Mr
Christopher Jonas, presented
Diplomas in Surveying and gave
an address to successful students of
the College on Saturday. The
Mayor of Reading, Mr Hamza
Fuad, and the Chairman of
Wokingham District Council, Mr
John Trimming were also present
Mr Michael Farker received the
Chartered Surveyors prize for the
most distinguished student of the
year. The Chairman of the Bound,
Mr Stephen Burman, and the
College Principal, Mr Peter
Goodacre, each gave an address. The President of the Royal Institu-

## Appointment

Mr P.J. Smith to be Ambassador to Madagascar in succession to Mr Dieman's land. I Tasmania. 1853.

Spondon and Rural Dean of Derby North:
to be Residentiary Canon of Derby North:
to be Residentiary Canon of Derby North:
to be Residentiary Canon of Derby Canonical (Derby).
The Rev Dr Kenneth Moss, Vicar, St Shuychurch, Toungs: to be also a Prehending of Excerc Cathedral (Excert).
The Rev David Pearock, Homorary Cunite, Holy Trinty, Roeitsungton: so be Humanary Canate, All Saines and 31 Marys, Putney Scoutivario.
The Rev Christopher Canada.

### **Anniversaries**

BIRTHS: Philip Massinger, dramatist Salisbury, baptised this day, 1583; Baruch Spinoza, philosopher, Amsterdam, 1632; Laurence Sterne, novelist, Clon-Latirence Sterne, novelist, Clor-mel, Co Tipperary, 1713; John Bacon, sculptor, London, 1740; Thomas Dick, scientific writer, Hilltown, Dundee, 1774; Zachary Taylor, 12th American President 1849-50, Montebello, Gordons-ville, Vinginia, 1784; Grace Da-ling, heroine of the Foxfarshiya wreck, Bamborough, Northurswreck, Bamborough, Northum-berland, 1815; Frances Burnett, novelist and dramatist.

Manchester, 1849; Henri Toulouse-Lautrec, painter, Albi,
Prance, 1864; Herbert Suclide,
England and Yorkshire cricioter,
Pudsty, Yorkshire, 1894.

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DEATHS: John Knox, Protestans reformer, Edinburgh, 1572; Robert Henry, historian, Edinburgh, 1790; William Lamb, 2nd Viscount Melhourne, Prime Minister 1834 and 1835-41, Hatfield, Herthardshire, 1848; Sir Henry Hawelock; genseni, Luchnow, India, 1857; George Croty, clergyman and writer, London, 1860; Sir Hiram Maxim, machine gun pioneer, London, 1916; Robert Erskine Childers, Irish nationalist and writer, executed, Dublin, and writer, executed, Dublin, 1922; Georges Clemenceau, Pre-A E Ringson, 1655,172, SERG, Aprogramme of automorphysics research at QUB 1992-1996. Dr. Fort School at Mach and Process Engl £116,263, Dept of Econ Development Land, 1642, renamed Tasmania, 1853.

# Church news

Appointments

The Rev Dy Paint Ayle, Vient, Stoke Chron, Polimone: W Hirchent and Rever W Netherene to be also a Prebendary of Easter Cathechai (Isolate).

The Rev Jouethan Broadmark, Capate-incharge, Burton Heming W Fortion, Geindale and Wold Newton: to be Vient. Burton Heming W Fortion, Grindale and Wold Newton Fortio.

The Rev Michael Bull, Carate, St John the Raptise, Craydon: to be Friends-charge, Christ Church, Colliers Wood, Mischam Spoulhwall-

Stouthward.
The Rev Gordon Cooke, Rector, Arelege and Rural Dean of Stourpoots to be also an Honorary Carton of Warrester Cathedral. Camedani.
The Rev Peter Crooks, until recently Desa.
of St. George's Cathedral. Jerusalem
Derstalem and the Middle East; to be
Priest-in-charge, Hundlegham and
Wappenbury w Weston-under-Wetharley
(Covumen.) Wappenbury w wester-anea-westerlary (Coventry).

The Rey Andrew Davey, non-superdiary Ministers to be Assistant Curate, Potters Bar \$1 Alband.

The Rey Richard Deadman. Priest-In-change, Grangetown, St Hilds to be Vicus. Grangetown, St Hilds (York).

The Rey Essel Dirichburn, Chaptain with the Northumbrian Industrial Mission and Team Deacon with the Gateshand Team Ministry; to be also Rural Dean of Gateshand (Durkum).

The Rey Stenhen Dinsmore, Curate,

Genethed (Durhsm).

The Rev Shephen Dinsmore, Curate, Edgware (London), to be Vicu. St. Jude. Plymouth (Butter).

The Rev Sally Rogden, Parish Deacum, Honlogion w Sapiston and Suston: to be able in Honorary Cathedral (St. Edmundsbury and Honorary Cathedral (St. Edmundsbury and Honorary Edmundsbury and Honorary, Bondielgh. Sampford Coursings and Honorarymore, and Bunal Dean of Okelampton: to be Pitterbon-charge, St. Peter. Theron (Enclar).

The Rev Gordon Greenwood, Vicar. St. Hilds. Hunts Cones to be Vicar. St. Paul. The Rev Gordon Greinwood, Vicar, St. Hilds, Hunts Cross; to be vicar, St. Fanl, Steinnessdale (Liverpool). The Rev Joan Impey, Parish Deacon, Harwell to be Parish Deacon, Discort

(INCOME). The Rev Peter Kerl, Priest-in-charge, Ominensies w Doverdalle, and Diocesse. Officer for Adult Education and Ministerial Training, diocese Wortester to be also an Hermany Carion of Wortester Carpicolal.

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The Rev David Sale, Vicar, Reddisch, St. Seephen and Runal Dean of Bransagower to be also at Francusty Canasi of Wortester Cathedral (Wortester).

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The Rev Keith Spokes, Priest in-charge Belmingham, Pranaden, Pettingh and Winston Gs. Edmundsbury and Inswich to retire from Detember 31. Other appointment
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since 1983, who rether at Christmes also
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BIRTHS

BEER - On November 22nd, in Cambridge, to Anne and Charles, 8 son. Quintin Nicholas, a brother for Robin. Haisma. Alice and Cecity.

BHERING - On November 17th. at The Portland Hospital, to Rosangela and Col Blering. a gorgeous daughter, Glovanna. a sister for Flavie. - a Brazilian Behry. CAREW - On November 18th. to Max (see Robeon) and Gentirey, a daughter. Bopry Bloodane. Citter End of the November 18th. TRIDALL:REWMAN - On November 24th 1942, at St Mary's Church, Horsell, Woking, Frederick Tindah to Rosemary Newman.

HOGGERE.

CUTTERIDGE - On November

17th 1992, to Jessica (née
Broadbent) and Michael, a
daughter. Louisa Elizabeth
Rose, a sister for Charles.

DREMIARI - On October 25th.

DRENMAN - On October 29th 1992. to Rowens one August) and Paul, a son, Frederick William, a brother for Sebastian and Camilla. Now home and well.

GALLOWAY - On November 19th to Shazzi and Tamara. a son. Rosy Nicholas, a brother for Ross and Myles.

HANCOCK - On November 21st 1992, Mark and Linda of Comp Lodge. Si Mary Flati, Kent. are pleased to amounce the birth of a son, George Jonathan.

HARMAN - On November 11th, to Sarah (nice Dawson) and Nigel, a daughter, Amelia Kale, a sister for Charlotha.

Charlotte.

MEILERON - On November
20th to Sarah (née Godsa)
and Jonathan. a daughter.
Sophie Nataire Rachel, a
sister for Ben. sister for Ben.

HOUGH - On November 4th.

to Michael and Sherri (née
Kelty). Edward Christopher
Madsen, a brother for Harry.

HOWARD - On November
13th, to Catharine unée Scott)
and Robin. a son. Vill. a
brother for Tom and Jack.

LERWAY - On 22nd

November at Princess Anne
Hospital. Southampton. to
Catherine (née Youens) and

Nick: a daugiter. Sophie
Victoria.

Nick: a daughter, Sophie Victoria.
LOFTUS - On October 25th, to Michael and Sarah (nicked and Sarah (nicked).
The Birdl. a son, Alexander William, a brother for Junies.
MORRIS - On November 16th, at The Portland Hospital, to Keren and Marik, a beautini daughter, Liffle, a sister for Edward.
O'DRISCOLL - On Thursday O'DRISCOLL - On Thursday November 12th 1992, at St Marr's Hospind, Paddington, to Samantha and Darren. a and Harry Joseph

ACLAND - On November 21st
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Service will beise place at the
Church of St. John the
Baptist. Broadclyst. on
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Donations if desired for
Broadclyst Church
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BALL - On November 18th.
after a long liness, Donaid.
Dip. Arch., RIBA. Cremation
at Falconwood. Elthem., on
Wednesday November 28th
at 11.15 am. Donations to
Caucer Research.
BARKSHIRE - Sally. of The
Boat House. Powey.
peacefully on the 20th
November, 1992. Dearly
loved wife of Bob. Funeral at
Gyan Valley Crematortum.
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BARTON - On 22nd
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Malcolm and Richard.
Funeral Service on Friday
27th November at 12 noon at
St. Saviour's Church. Dry
Hill Park Crescent.
Tombridge. Family flowers
only. Bonations if desired to
British Heart Foundation.
BEEBY - On November 21st
1992. Joyce, aged 72 years,
beloved wife of Dan and
another of Curistopher and
Allison. Funeral Service at
Weeley Hill. United
Reformed Church, on Friday
November 27th at 12 noon
flowers by request donations if
desired to Church
Missionaries Society,
Partnershy House. 157
Waterioo Road. London SE1 and Harry Joseph HOGERS - On November 19th, to Charlotte (née Lycet), wife of James, a daughter, Polly Alexandra Jame, a sister for Henry. Jane, a saler for Henry.

SMAIL - On 14th November
1992 at St Mary's Hospital.
Paddington. to Camilla (ofe
Wynne-lames)
Christopher, a daughter,
Eloise Tiffany.

DEATHS

DEATHS BLOOM - Arnold, retired consultant physician, died beacefully on 22nd November. Funeral

TRESIDUER - On November 19th, to Claire (née Harrap) and Hereward, their first child, a son, Sammel Robert, WALFORD - On November 10th, to Helen (née Stavenson) and Nick, a daughter, Katharine Grace.
WALLROCK - On November 19th, to Caroline (née Russett) and Chartie, a daughter, Alexandra Marie.
WALRO - In Excter on November 20th, to Janet (née Richard) and David, a son, Adam Ronald, a brother for Lorna and Peter, GOLDEN ANNIVERSARIES

BRICE - Peacerolly in Sobell House on 21st November 1992. Victor Dene aged 62 years. Much loved son of Ebbel and husband of Joan who will be deenly missed by all his family and friends. The funeral service will be held in St Matthew's Church. Oxiord, on Thursday 26th November at 2 pm. followed by cremation. Family-flowers only please but donations for Cancer Research may be sent made payable to Review & Pain (Cherrity Account), 288 Ahingdon Road, Oxford OX1 4TE.

Road, Tavistock.

COUCHMAN - On November 20th, peacetally in hospital after a long tilness borne with great courage and dispatly. Stanley Randall, dearly beloved husband of Alison and development of Jim and Arme, father-in-law of Barbara and John and a dear grandfather. As well as being adored by his family, Stanley was widely respected throughout the world of Rughy Footsell and the Licensed Trade. The funeral survice will be at Beckenham Crematorium. Emers End Road, Scicenham, on Friday November 3rth at 2,50 pm. Family Rowers only but donations, if destrad, to The Parkinsons Disease Society. C/o Mannerings Funeral Service, 193 High Street, Bronley, Kent BRI 1NN.

CRESSWELL - On November 2Srd, after a mercifully short limes, John, most dearly loved and treasured husband of Roma, adored brother or Beryl and a very special uncle and brother-law. Funeral private, but a service of thanksgiving for John's life will be held in London at a later date, instead of flowers donations please in his name to imperial Cancer Research Fund. 'Say not in grief that he is no more, but in thankfulness that he was.'

**DEATHS** 

COCKS - On November 20th 1992, peacefully at Derriford Hospital. Phymouth. Craham, aged 66 years. Dearly loved brother of Dorothy and Uncie of Judy and John. Funeral on Friday 27th at Tavistock Methodist. Church at 2.50 pm. followed by hurtal at Caistock. Family flowers only, but donations. If desired, for the Derriford Hospital League of Friends, c/o J. Wyat. 22 Whitchurch Road, Tavistock.

COWLES - Romald, legal adviser to The British Coal Corporation 1973-1988, transfer in No learn on the 20th November 1992. Cremation at Guidford Crematorium at 10 am, 25th November.

DE PREE - On 21st November, at home, George, late 60th Rifles, Funeral 2.30 Monday 30th November, Wherwell Church, ar. Andover, Burlist Tuesday 1st December 12 aoon, Beckley Church, ar., Rive, No flowers, donaftons if wished to Counties of Brecknock Home, Andover, ROMAN, Co. March 1888, Co. 1888 Brecknock House. Andoval.

DOHOG - On November 21st.
peacefully at home, aged 83
years. Beryl Aldwyth, wife of the late Kenneth G.A.
Dohoo, dearly loved mother of Jean and Anne and a much loved mother-in-law, grandmother and great-grandmother to the cremation followed by a Memorial Meeting on Monday November 30th at 12 noon in the Priends Meeting House. Saftron Walden. Family flowers only but domations, if desired, to the Qualer Peace Service c/o H. Peasgood & Son, Gold Street. Saftron Walden.

DRAKE - On 22nd November.

Street. Saffron Welden.

DRANE - On 22nd November, peacafully at home. Betty Pauline Mackintosh, wife of the late Major F.V. Drahe M.C., aged 92. Mother of Michael, killed in action 1943, and of Lavinia and Flavia. Grandmother and great-grandmother. Funeral private.

Thanksgiving Service to be announced.

**DEATHS** 

GREENWOOD - Pescebilly in Frenchay Hospital. 19th November, Moira, beloved wife of Roy, loving mother of Andrew, Jane, Aune, Sarah and Emma. Funeral Service & John's Church, West Ashton. Friday 27th November, 2.20 pm. Family November, 2.20 pm. Family, Williams. Bratison, Westbury, Williams.

Service to be announced.

GEE - Peacefully at home on 22nd November. Vera Knitheen Bucky), wife of Geoffrey (who died 11th November), mother of Pesny. Wendy, peter-Prunella, Robyn and Jennifer, and much loved grandmother. Private family fumeral at her request. Donations, if desired to Cancer Relief Macmillan Fund c/o Fords of Calcham. I Cauch Street. Cakham. I Cauch Street. Cakham. Laichtiershire. A memorial event celebrating Geoff's and Bucky's lives will be held in the Spring.

GRANT-LAWSON - On

sugay's lives win be field in the Spring.

GRAMT-LAWSON - On November 20th, peacefully at home, at Dorridge Parm. Oddens, Fordingbridge, Virginia, beloved wife or the labe LL Col. Sir Peter Grant-Lawson. Bt., Royal Horse Guards, Cremation private. Thanksgiving Service Hyde Parish. Church. near Fordingbridge, on Monday November 30th at 2.30 pm. Family flowers only doughous if desired for Parkinson's Disease Society or British Red Cross Society. To Barrow Brothers, Funeral Directors, 2 Nursery Road, Ringwood, Hampshire, BH26 1NG.

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GREENO - Jane Laviniz, vary peacefully at Sumbury Nursing Home on 16th November where 90 worthy years. Funeral and Thanksgiving Service at 5t Nicholas' Purish Church. Shapperton. at 10.30 cm Friday 27th November. Flowers to Lodge Bros. Shapperton (9322-220081). Donations if preserved to Sumbury and Shapperton Age Concern (0932-784232) or to the Alzheimer's Disease Society (081-678 6657).

House, Bratton, Westbury, Wins.

METHERINGTON On November 22rd 1992. Rear Admiral Derick Hetherington aged 81, peacethily at home. Much loved busband of Jo. faither of Andrew, Jini. Mark. Teress and Dinah and grandfather of lam. Jaine, Polly. Arthur, Bruno, Rong. Daisy and Sarah. Funeral Service will be held on Friday November 27th at St Bartholamew's Church, Brightwell, Baldwin, Oxon. at 2.30 mm. Family flowers only. Donations if desired to Macmillan Nurses Appeal.

HOLIMES - Suddenty at home on 20th November 1992. Arthibald Love Holmes M.B.E., T.D., in his 81st year. Beloved husband of Greta. Eather of Brian, grandfather of Johanna. Archie and Elleen, All friends are invited to the service at Postland Church, Troon. (Wednesday) 28th November at 11.48 am.

HOPE - On 19th November, suddenly at Queen Marry's Hospital. Rothampton. Kenneth Charles, apad 75. Cremation at Putnery Vale on Friday 27th November at 12.30 pm. HORDERN - On November 22nd 1992, peacefully, Edmund, aged 88 years, beloved husband of Patricia. Funeral Servico 2.30 pm, Thursday 26th November, at All Saints, Martin, near Salisbury, No letters - family flowers only.

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JACKSOM - On 20th November 1992, suddenly, George Hulbert Mowbray, beloved husband of Cathesine and loved fisher of Julian and Alison, Funeral Service at St. Michael's Church, Postion, 11 am on Thursday 26th November, Flowers or donations if desired to the Church, Enquiries bel: (0280) 653525. LAWRIE - On Sunday
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Aborne, Col. T.M. Lawrie,
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DEATHS MALLINSON John, furnerly Documentary Film Writer/Director died on 20th November aged 84 at Queen Many's Hospitsi, Rochampton. Funeral of Putney Vale Crematorium Thursday 26th November at 2.48 pm.

WICHARLS - On November 21st 1992 In hospital. Michael Michaels C.B. sped 83 years, of Keisale, Suffolk, Beloved husbend of Storge, Dear dast of Ann and Chris, Funeral Service at hospical from Storge, November 26th at 1.45 pm. Family flowers only, if desired donations for The Friends of Aideburgh Cottage Hospital c/o Tony Stown, The Funeral Partour, Sectional Partour, Sectional Partour, Suffolk (P17 101).

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NAYLOR - On November 22rd 1992, Jame, peacefully and most courageousity, after a lengthy illness, sayed 54, Much loved and admired wise, mother, grandmother and daughter, who will be greatly missed. Fineral Service at 11.30 am on Friday November 27th at Guiddord Crematorium. Family flowers only please. Donations, if desired, to The Rupert Naylor Bladder Engrouphy Appeal Fund or The Macmillan Service Copingus Funeral Services. Charters, Mary Road. Guildford. Gilliamord.

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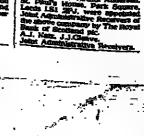
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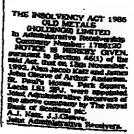
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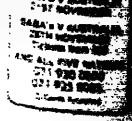


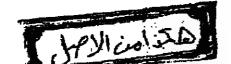
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## **OBITUARIES**

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Leslie Hotson, Canadian-born Shakespearean scholar and renowned literary sleuth, died in North Branford, Connecticut, on November 16 aged 95. He was born in Delhi, Ontario, on August 16, 1897.

LESLIE Hotson was one of that group of North American scholars to whom literary scholarship has owed, sometimes rather grudgingly, so much in this century. Along with men like C. W. Wallace, Joseph Quincy Adams, John Cramford Adams, Louis B. Wright and T. W. Baldwin, he brought originality and independence to scholarship, com-bining the best of English critical intuitiveness with German thoroughness and method — little though the latter have sometimes been appreciated in England.

But Hotson's great contribution to criticism was the excitement he brought particularly to the study of Shakespeare and his times through his detective methods. These overturned - or at least challenged preconceptions on a number of subjects ranging from the death of Marlowe, through the physical form of the Shakespearean theatre to the dentity of the Dark Lady of the Sonners. A new book by Hotson was, therefore, often greeted with more than purely literary interest. The unashamed excitement generated by his sleuthing methods caused reac tion to his books to spill over far beyond the literary pages of newspapers and periodicals.

Hotson's opinions seldom failed to be controversial. There were plenty of critics to be found to take issue with his contention that Shakespearean theatre was "in the round" or his identification of a Lincolshire gentle-man as "Mr W. H.", the "onlie begetter" of Shakespeare's sonnets. Even greater fury was caused by his attack on Lewis Theobald's brilliant emendation which virtually created Mistress Quickly's poignant description of Falstaff's death in King Henry V. The First Folio's meaningless gibberish : "His nose was sharp as a pen, and a table of green fields" had long perplexed scholars until Theobald with great intuition hit upon "...and a babbled of green fields." From 1725 onwards this emendation had more than satisfied scholars, until Hotson devoted an

# LESLIE HOTSON



article in the Times Literary Supplement to attacking it as unsound. Reaction from academe and the general public slike to such an assault on what has become one of the best-loved lines in Shakespeare, did nothing to shake Hotson who returned to his theme, justifying himself in letter after letter to the periodical.

Though born in Canada, Leslie Hotson was brought up in New York and educated at Harvard. There he gained the first of a series of travelling scholarships which enabled him to visit London. Here, his literary-historical researches among the documents of the Public Record Office led to the book The Death of Christopher Marlowe (1925), which first brought his name before scholars throughout the world. Hotson had tracked down the coroner's report on Mariowe's death and was able, from its description of the

circumstances of the brawl and of the playwright's injuries, to demonstrate that the previously accepted verdict on Marlowe's death — that he had been killed in a quarrel over a whore in a bawdy house -- was far too vague and unsatisfactory. He made it clear that Marlowe had been cold-

bloodedly murdered after an argu-

ment about money and that the

involvement of agents of Sir Francis

Walsingham's secret service was not

unconnected with the matter.

Hotson's initiative has given fruitful ground for speculation ever since. While pursuing his researches in the Public Record Office Hotson next came across a collection of nine letters written by the poet Shelley to his first wife, Harriet. The letters, for which scholars had been searching in vainfor 150 years, were Shelley's explanation to Harriet of the reason for the decay of their marriage, and the poet did not duck the issue of telling his wife that he was in love with Mary Godwin. Distraught at this news and pregnant as she was, Harriet subsequently threw herself in the Serpentine. Hotson's book Shelley's Lost Letters to Harriet was published in

In the meantime the thesis for which Hotson had originally been awarded his PHD, "English Theatre during the Commonwealth" had appeared in extended form as a book. Commonwealth and Restoration Stage, in 1928. To write the book Hotson had pored over some 180 Chancery suits, whose sheer duliness might well have dismayed a researcher of less indefatigable constitution. Yet the result was a storehouse of varied discoveries which, though they might have been tough going to the general reader, present-ed valuable information to the theatre historian.

Shakespeare versus Shallow (1931) was yet another subject to come out of a single stint of research in the PRO. Though its assertion that the identifiction of the empty-headed, boastful Justice Shallow of King Henry IV Part II is to be found in a certain William Gardiner of South-wark (later himself a JP for Surrey) was regarded as being somewhat farfetched, nevertheless the path by which Hotson reached his conclusions was, again, of the sort which involved the exhumation of a great deal of interesting contemporary documentation.

During this period Hotson had been teaching first at Harvard and then at New York University, before being appointed to the staff of Haverford College in 1931. During the war he served with the US Army Signals Corps, which brought him to Europe from 1943 onwards. In the meantime, researches on a smaller canvas had produced two articles for The Times, one — again the result of delving in the PRO — giving more details about the life of Shakespeare's father, the second about Shakespeare's "Venis and Adonis".

Among Hotson's post-war books the most discussed were Shake-speare's Wooden O (1959) and Mr W. H. (1964). These were preceded Shakespeare's Sonnets Dated (1949), in which Hotson argued for an earlier period — 1585-92 — for the cycle's composition than is usually accepted; and The First Night of

Twelfth Night (1954). The latter was ingenious rather than carrying total conviction in its argument that Twelfth Night had been intended as a court entertainment and was not first performed in Middle Temple

If the verdict here was "not proven" The Wooden O gave critics and historians of theatre much more to bite on. In a lively and compelling account, adducing internal evidence from the plays as well as documentary evidence from without, Hotson almost) convinced everyone of his thesis that Shakespeare had written not for a stage like that shown in the familiar de Witt drawing of the Swan. but for a theatre-in-the-round format. He was, however, able to show, beyond argument, that the "wooden O" of Shakespeare's Henry V must have been that of the Curtain. Shoreditch, and not the Globe, which did not open until after the date of the play's first performance in 1599.

in Mr W. H. (1964) Hotson entered the fray over the genesis of Shakespeare's sonnets with his own candidates for both the elusive addressee and the Dark Lady. Out of the window went A. L. Rowse's William Harvey and in came Wil-liam Hawliff, a gentleman of Lin-colnshire. The Dark Lady, despaired of by many a previous writer, now firmly became Luce Morgan, once a queen's gentlewoman who had become a prostitute and brothel-keeper in Clerkenwell. If Hotson's arguments — and they were many and ingenious — were not all cogeni, they opened the floodgates for a torrent of learned comment on this eternallyvexing, but perpentally enjoyable subject. As always, Hotson provided plenty of brain-teasers for the reader. In Shakespeare by Hilliard (1977)

Hotson attempted to demonstrate from external evidence that a miniature of an unknown man by the artist represented, in fact, Shakespeare. This was the last major critical sortle from a man who had, through sheer diligence and a winning way with pursuing and marshalling evidence, kept the various Shakespearean condundrums alive for both learned and lay audiences over a period of nearly half a century.

Hotson had married, in 1919.

Mary Peabody, a cousin of T. S.

# APPRECIATIONS

### Sir Giles Bullard

YOUR perceptive obituary of Sir Giles Bullard (November 17) suggested that Anglo-American differences at the time of the Grenada crisis in 1983, when he was British High Commissioner in Barbados, might have been avoided if there had been more time for him to win the confidence of the American Ambassador. As a member of his staff at that time I was privileged to be a witness to this supreme test of his diplomatic skills.

I accompanied Bullard on

the Saturday morning when he was summoned to see Prime Minster Tom Adams of Barbados to be given the request by certain Caribbean governments that Britain should take part in a military intervention in Grenada. As we drove to the meeting through Bridgetown's narrow streets, not in the official car but in his family's battered old open-top Triumph Vitesse, i had cause to marvel at his Macmillanesque sang-froid. As if to clear his mind of the complexities of the moment he turned the conversation to what we might prefer to be doing on a perfect autumn morning in England. A round of golf, perhaps, but Rye or Deal or St George's?

Later that day he composed his advice to the government on how to respond to this Caribbean request. The idea of British military intervention in an independent Commonwealth country of which the Queen was head of state was unlikely to be well received in London. Nor did it immedately appeal to the instincts of this scholarly and gentle man. But he showed his mettle that



day. Just two months into his Caribbean posting he nonetheless read the mood of their people correctly. Miss Charles, Mr Adams and the other Caribbean leaders were experienced politicians and the best judges of how to handle the situation in Grenada, he advised. If the Americans (who were in a position to do something about it) agreed to participate then we should give our support too, or, at the very least, do nothing that might weaken the operation. This advice was not accepted in London and the rest is history.

Caribbean long enough both to help repair both our relations with the islands and the dent in the Special Relation-ship. But with characteristic reticence he quite property refrained from revealing what his own advice had been despite being sorely tempted to do so - not least in the face of an American Ambassador, who appeared to hold him personally responsible for British inaction.

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Bullard remained in the

Mark Williams

### Oliver Van Oss

IN YOUR obituary of Oliver Van Oss (November 17) you did not mention a feature of his life after his retirement from the Headmastership of Charterhouse School in 1973 which introduced him to a large number of people, such as myself, who had no particular connection with either Eton or Charterhouse. This was his employment by Swan Hellenic as a guest-lecturer on various Arts Treasures Tours in Europe. The guest-lecturers are a learned and distinguished lot, and it may well be that several were more expert scholars than Oliver on particular aspects of architecture. painting or history, but none was better at establishing a warm rapport with his group or in communicating the principal facts about what we were

their historical and cultural background. More than once I heard him politely ask a compulsorily engaged local guide if he (Oliver) might just add a few words, and then he would present the entire es-sence of what we needed to know in two or three perfectly expressed sentences, in complete contrast to the monotonous and boring discourse we had just suffered. He also had a fund of amusing stories. (If he heard a new one he liked he would write it in his chequebook and then relate it until the cheques in the book were used up; this would stop him from being a repetitive bore.) He once took a course at his own expense at an adult school in Italy before conducting a tour there because he felt his spoken Italian was rusty; he was by then in his seventies.

R. P. W. Lewis

# ARPAD ELO

Arpad Emrick Elo, a hysicist and astronom who devised the system now used to rank the world's chest players, dled in Milwaukee. Wisconsin, on November 5 aged 89.

CHESS was Arpad Elo's abiding passion, and his work in establishing chess pro-grammes for children in cities across the United States did

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much to encourage the popularity of the game in North America. But it was his invention of the ranking system for chess players, which bears his name, for which he will be best remembered.

Elo's system, introduced into the United States in about 1950 and subsequently adopted by the World Chess Federation, uses four-digit ratings to measure each player's relative strength. The ratings are

based on results in tournaments and match-play, weighted according to the opponent's strength. After the system's acceptance Elo devoted considerable effort to working with the Federation to assure its statistical accuracy and integrity. Variations have since been used by several other sports, including table

"It is a measuring tool, not a device of reward or punish-

ment." Elo once commented. "It is a way to compare performances, and assess relative strength, not a carrot waved before a rabbit or a piece of candy given to a child for good behaviour."

World champion Gary Kasparov of Russia is at the top of the current rankings, with an all-time high Elo rating of 2790. Bobby Fischer, the former world champion who recently emerged from

retirement to beat Boris Spassky, held a rating of 2780 when he gave up chess in 1972, and still retains it although the Federation lists him as inactive.

Born in Hungary, Arpad Elo moved to the United States as a young man and worked as a professor of physics and astronomy at Marquette University in Milwankee from 1935 to 1965. He served as administrator of the American Chess Federa tion from 1935 to 1937 and over the next two decades held his own against some of the best players in the world before giving up competitive chess to devote more time to his academic career.

In 1957 Arpad took on the young Bobby Fischer, though the result is not recorded. Elo was widowed in 1989.

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Olongapo, in the Philippines, in spite of the latter's contention that the place was exposed to attack on the land side. Indeed work had already begun at Olongapo when the joint board was appointed. Olongapo will, no doubt, be maintained for a time as a naval base in the Philippines. But it is probable that eventually Corregidor Island, at the mouth of Manila Harbour. will become the naval base for the archipelago. subsidiary to that at Pearl Harbour. The unique strategic importance of the ON THIS DAY

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of 60 feet.

## EC seeks £50bn carrot for recovery

■ Europe needs to spend some £50 billion on big capital projects if it is to drag itself out of recession and overcome unemployment and social unrest, Henning Christophersen, the EC finance commissioner, told EC finance ministers.

The money, to be borrowed on international markets, should go on communications and transport networks, and he urged the Community to contribute £5 billion to a special investment fund. He hoped it would encourage a similar 

### Violent Berlin protest after killings

■ A Berlin demonstration in protest at the killings of three Turks - two women and a child - turned violent as left-wing youths throwing stones clashed with riot police in the mainly Turkish Kreuzberg district of the city ....... Pages 1,15,17,20

### Windsor Castle bill

The government is to meet the cost of restoring Windsor Castle in the face of continuing pressure from some Labour MPs to force the Queen to contribute to a bill that is likely to come to tens of millions of pounds..... Pages 1,3

### £160m drug seized

Detectives and Customs officers seized 1.1 tonnes of cocaine worth £160 million, the largest drug haul made in Britain, after armed officers stormed an oil rig support vessel on the Thames a few miles downstream from Tower Bridge... .. Page 1

### Masstricht bill hint

Douglas Hurd, the foreign secretary, disclosed to the Commons foreign affairs committee that the Bill to ratify the Maastricht treaty might need to be changed to bring in possible concessions to the Danes.

### Danger in toys

Parents tempted by the recession to buy cheap imitations of well known toys for Christmas were warned yesterday that some fakes could be potentially dangerous ... .. Page 4

### Cancer warning

Damage to the ozone layer will result in five million cases of cancer and 70,000 deaths in the United States alone in the next century unless ozone-destroying chemicals are phased out quickly. William Rellly, Head of the US Environmental Protection Agency, said ......Page 12

### Paris plays for time

As French farmers staged angry protests against American interests, the Mitterrand administration signalled that it would try to defuse a EC crisis over agricultural trade by playing for time and seeking compensation within the Community ...... Page 2

### Mafia-Colombia link

American and European antidrug officials believe the Italian Mafia has forged an alliance with the Colombian cocaine cartels to supply an expanding European market, in return for assisting the Colombians to break into the New York heroin Page 3

### Haltlan Influx

Tens of thousands of Haitians are expected to make fresh attempts to reach the United States after Bill Clinton's January 20 inauguration, presenting him with an immediate crisis largely of his own making ..... Page 11

### Ankara peace effort

Arnid its already strong calls for military intervention. Turkey has organised a one-day confer-ence of all Balkan states in Ankara to try to increase pressure for an end to the fighting in Bosnia-Herzegovina.... .. Page 12

### Democracy urged

King Husain of Jordan, who has legalised political parties after a 36-year ban, called for the introduction of pluralism and democracy in Iraq, the most brutal Arab dictatorship....

### Bias blamed for lack of female judges

■ In the wake of a survey finding that 65 per cent feel "judges are out of touch with everyday life and everyday people", and that 80 per cent favoured more female judges, the shortage of women in the senior ranks will be blamed today on bias at all levels of the profession in a report commissioned by the Bar and the Lord Chancellor's department. Page 4



A child places flowers outside the house where three Turks died in racially-inspired arson in Moella, near Hamburg, Pages 1,15,17

ERM aftermath: The pound reacted mildly to the weekend devaluations, rising 0.42 pfennigs to DM2.4266 but slipping 0.52c to \$1.5150 and leaving the trade weighted index up 0.2 at 78.6. Shares hit a trading record but the FT-SE 100 Index closed 9.5 points down at 2722.9 ..... ..... Page 21

Wider gap: The trade gap widened to £1.16bn in October, and looks set to worsen, reflecting a jump of almost 5 per cent in the import bill due to the pound's devaluation since September ..... ...... Page 21

Wider audit: The Auditing Practices Board has called for a big increase in the role and responsibilities of auditors of companies' accounts to meet changed needs of Page 21

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£50,000 fine: The Football League fined Barnet £50,000 for failing to keep proper financial records and for irregular payments to players. Stan Flashman, the club chairman, allegedly assaulted cameramen before and after the seven-hour hearing. .Page 40 Prop power: Injuries have given

the England rugby league side an experimental feel, with two prop forwards drafted into the starting line-up to face Wales at Swansea on .. Page 36

Softer approach: Chris Eubank, the world super-middleweight champion, said he is "taking a softer approach. I want to be more . Page 40

Breaking point: The royal institute

set up to promote good management practice across the public sector is expected to slip quietly into liquidation next month .... Page 28 Rent chealing: How do you make tenants pay? A look at new council strategies .. Page 28

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Dr Anthony Storr: Royalty matters immensely to many, but it is not clear why. What is it in human nature which seems to demands that some people be singled out as magically significant? Page 14

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Not many who inform on the IRA live to tell the tale, and even fewer give interviews. Inside Story Special (BBC 1, 10.25) ....... Page 39

### Major's progress

A concerted growth strategy, based on targeted increases in capital spending by all EC members, could win broad support. Recovery in Europe is essential to recovery in Britain. It is also essential to the dream of European union \_\_\_\_\_ Page 17

### Death in Lubeck

The German government must look again at its rejuctance to ban extremist parties. And it must send out the message, to Germans and to the world, that Germans will not tolerate Nazism. Never again .. Page 17

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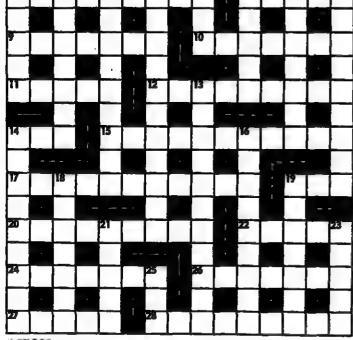
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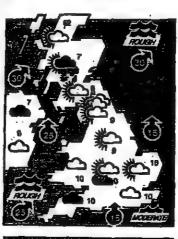
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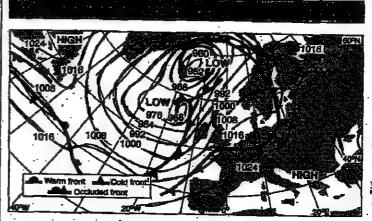


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figures Government showed that exports, which are only expected to benefit from more competitive ster-ling after a considerable lag. performed well last month. given the poor world econom-Exports climbed £310 mil-

lion in October, to a seasonally adjusted £9.06 billion, the second highest monthly total on record. But imports, which have stayed ahead of exports despite the severe recession, were £482 million higher at £10.22 billion, the highest for two-and-a-half years. This again increased the deficit on visible trade, which had narrowed to £991 million in September. The current account deficit, the broad balance of payments measure.

Britain's trade balance will deteriorate over the next few months before improving in the longer term because of the pound's devaluation. But exports reached £9 billion, the second highest monthly total on record

shipping, widened to £1.03 billion last month from £991 million in September.

But the underlying trade ostion pointed to further leterioration. The figures for visible trade, excluding oil and erratic items, such as aircraft and diamonds, showed a deficit of £1.43 billion in October, after a £1.23 billion shortfall the month before.

The impact of the 14 per cent devaluation of the pound since market pressures forced the currency out of the exchange-rate mechanism on September 16 is already clearly visible in import values. The devaluation effect is expected to inflate the import bill this month and in months ahead.

Exports are not expected to gain from the advantage of the cheaper pound until the middle of next year, in keeping describes the delayed improve-

# Germans reject call to cut rates despite ERM turbulence

nism (ERM) came under inspeculators again attacked frail currencies after Sunday's devaluation of the Spanish peseta and the Portuguese

scudo. Pressure in foreign-exchange markets is likely to intensify this week amid expectations of a further realignment in the ERM. Among the hardest-hit currencies were the Irish punt and the Danish krone. The ripples in foreignexchange markets extended as far as Norway, not even a member of the ERM, where short-term interest rates went up to 1,000 per cent in the

name of currency stability. The Bundesbank's policy of continued high interest rates. which is causing the upheavals, was reaffirmed yesterday. In Brussels, Horst Köhler, state secretary in the German finance ministry, said his country was rejuctant to allow any pressure on it to cut interest rates. Johann Gaddum, one of the Bundesbank's senior council members, defended high interest rates on the grounds that the growth in the money supply and infla-

tion, 3.7 per cent in October, was "unacceptably high". The Bank of Ireland raised short-term interest rates to 30 per cent to stave of the speculation and to stabilise the punt,

its range at IrE2.6243. The ERM turbulence is especially the Irish taoiseach, who faces a general election tomorrow. The markets believe another ERM realignment could hap-

pen next Sunday. The Danish krone also moved closer to its ERM floor of 3.9016 against the mark. closing yesterday at 3.8875. The peseta remained stable at 71.63 against the mark despite the 6 per cent devaluation of its central rate as agreed on Sunday. In an attempt to woo back investors, the Spanish government agreed to lift exchange controls, introduced in September to avert currency speculation. The Bank of Spain raised the key interest rate from 13 per cent to 13.75 per cent to try to stabilise its currency, which is

league table. The ERM turbulence had little effect on sterling, which closed at DM2.4266, up by

still at the bottom of the ERM

less than half a pfennig.
Paul Chertkow, head of global strategy at UBS Phillips & Drew, said the system itself was under fire. "If this is going to go on we will have more piecemeal realignments unless the Bundesbank begins to act in the European interest and cuts interest rates".

Italians cager, page 25

ment in exports as the trade balance adjusts to currency

While the Treasury sought to highlight the continued rise mained concerned about the continued rise in imports in volume terms, which indicates increasing import penetration. The concern is that any recovery in domestic demand will quickly translate into more imports, underlining the structural nature of the trade

"For an economy that is going nowhere we are still importing an awful lot of goods," Ian Harnett, chief economist at Strauss Turnbull said. Although exports had held up well, he fears that slowdown, or recession, in Germany and other key markets, coupled with the spate of competitive devaluations, cast doubt over how long the higher level of exports can be sustained. The volume of ex-ports rose sharply in October, after dipping in September, but imports also moved up in volume terms. Government statisticians believe the uptrend in imports is starting to level off, while exports are

starting to pick up again. But the figures show that in the latest three months, the volume of exports, excluding oil and erratic items, were unchanged from the previous up on a year ago. Import volumes were 1.5 per cent up over the past three months and 9 per cent higher than a year ago. The deficit on manufactured goods in the three months was £1.97 billion, the highest for a three-month

period since October 1990. Recessions have usually produced a trade surplus, but the persistent monthly deficits still being registered appear to rule out a return to surplus before the economy recovers. Michael Saunders, economist at Salomon Brothers, expects the trade deficit to worsen until mid-1993 and foresees no surplus for a couple of years.

Norman Lamont, the Chancellor, forecast in his Autumn Statement that the current account deficit will widen to £15.5 billion next year from £12 billion this year. Adam Cole, economist at James Capel, predicts that the 1993 deficit is more likely to be £20

European single market changes mean that figures for trade with the Community, which accounts for about 60 per cent of British trade, will not be published for the first half of next year, creating a statistical "black hole".



Glossy figures: Robin Miller, chief executive of Emap, announced a rise in half-time profits to £14.8 million

# **Auditors answer critics** by claiming bigger role

By Graham Searjeant, Financial editor proportionate to their blame

for errors and failures. He

said: "This is fundamental to

making the advances we are

Some of the key ideas in the

report are aimed at promoting

trying to make".

THE Auditing Practices Board has called for a big in-Practices crease in the role and responsibilities of auditors of companies' accounts to meet changed needs of shareholders and others with a stake in their affairs. Reforms envisaged would require changes in law and board practice and raise costs.

A discussion paper, The Future Development of Auditing, concludes that the profession has not rebuilt confidence in company accounts and blames auditors for failing to meet expectations that they should provide more than the Fariane, managing director of Citibank UK, who led the committee that drew up the paper, said: "Their failure to respond to this has dented

confidence in auditors." The board, which sets standards for auditing, proposes that auditors should review and report on the proper conduct of a company's affairs, including compliance with the boardroom code proposed by the Cadbury committee and financial controls. They should take a fuller role in detecting and reporting traud and, further ahead, report on environmental performance and employee interests, such as pensions. Conventional au-

diting should be extended to some vetting of interim profits. More controversially, auditors could report on a company's future viability, reviewing risks and warning shareholders if they were material. The board also envisages abolishing one-line audit reports in favour of giving reasons be-hind auditors' conclusions and reviewing a board commentary on future prospects

such as that suggested by the Accounting Standards Board. Mr MacFarlane stressed that auditing reforms depended on reform of the law to limit auditors' liability and make it

holders in overcoming auditors' perceived lack of independence from a company's board, which is seen as the client. The paper says rotation of auditors might

help, but rejects separation of audit from consultancy. rectors, proposeu by the Cadbury committee, are seen as an insufficient safeguard. Possible alternatives include: big shareholders ap-

tive, appointment of a trustee to oversee audit for shareholders or a wider group of stakeholders, or the creation of an independent panel to advise on issues arising in audits. in another radical depar-

pointing an audit representa-

debate rather than providing solutions. In particular, it sees ture, the report suggests "a single over-arching body an increased role for sharemay be needed to cover standard sening, monitoring and discipline for auditors. The paper was welcomed by

many in the accountancy profession. David Lindsell, senior technical partner of Ernst & Young, said, however, that it could raise expectations too legal and boardroom changes required, and higher costs.

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City with 50% advance BY GEORGE SIVELL

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ROBIN Miller, chief executive of Emap, the publishing group, pleased the City yester-day with a 50 per cent rise in pre-tax profits to £14.8 million for the six months to October

per cent to 2.075p a share. Graham Ross-Russell, the chairman, is to repre as chairman next year. A successor has yet to be announced. Yesterday. Mr Ross-Russell said: "Our investments in the last three years are showing useful results in profit terms. And with a strong balance sheet. there will be many more opportunities to grow our business both through acquisi-

in revenue terms, ne salo ne did not expect "any improvement this financial year".

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# Engineers see tax breaks as solution

By Ross Tieman INDUSTRIAL CORRESPONDENT

THE Engineering Employers Federation is calling for creation of a new industry-sponsoring body within govern-ment and for 100 per cent capital allowances as part of its blueprint for a British

manufacturing revival.

Michael Heseltine, the trade secretary, declined an invitation to discuss the EEF proposals, saying he had to be in Parliament for last night's debate on the sale of machinery to Iraq by Matrix Churchill. Details were presented instead to Tim Sainsbury, the

industry minister. Undeterred by the apparent rebuff, Neil Johnson, the EEF director general, was last night making a series of presentations to backbench spokesman.



Johnson: presentations

MPs at the Queen Elizabeth Il Conference Centre, opposite the Houses of Parliament. The engineering organisation has also beld discussions with Robin Cook. the shadow industry

ain needs a consensus between politicians, industry and the financial community to bring about economic revival. "If we fail to give industry the boost it needs, we will quickly see our standards of living decline as the benefits of being an advanced and prosperous economy slip away," says the EEF in its Industrial Strategy document.

The proposals were drawn up after the EEF pledged to provide in six weeks the industrial strategy it said the government had failed to pro-

duce in six months. The EEF said Britain must face up to the implications of an enduring balance of payments deficit at a time of deep recession, and the danger of

low-cost competition from de-

ment intervention in industry. the government must recognise that "most economic growth, even in service industries, originates in techmanufacturing industry." The EEF says: To maintain our standards of living we need to revive industrial inno-

there was no need for govern-

vation. To do that we need a vision of what is possible and bow it can be achieved - an industrial strategy." Rejecting suggestions that

the EEF's proposals were too woolly, Mr Johnson said Britain needed a new government department, either at the DIL or, given the DII's past failings, at the Treasury, to ensure manufacturing's needs were taken into account in policity decisions.



# **National Grid cuts** 700 jobs as 'dash for gas' peters out

By Ross Tieman, industrial correspondent

generation is petering out as tions. In the past, NGC has companies cancel or defer projects in response to rising gas prices and uncertainty over the government's energy review.

But the slowdown will come too late to prevent gas plants eating into the market for coal. one of the factors blamed for British Coal's plans to close 31 pits with 30,000 jobs lost.

Four projects to build gasfired power stations, with capacity totalling 2.213 mw. have been cancelled recently. National Grid Company said yesterday. A similar number. with capacity of 3.771 mw. have been deferred.

David Jefferies, chairman of NGC, said he now believed the surplus of generating capacity in England and Wales would peak in the winter of 1996/7 at 32 per cent Although that is ten points higher than the typical plant margin of comparable national power generation systems, it represents a very sharp

suggested that theoretically. surplus capacity could reach 58 per cent, but the cancellations and deferrals have coincided with an accelerating programme of coal plant closures by existing generators.

NGC, owned by the 12 regional power supply com-panies, said 1,256 mw of gas plant had already been completed. Another 8,745 mw was under construction. But "the market is reacting to coal crisis," it said, "people are having second thoughts."

NGC is extending its jobshedding in response to a new four-year price cap imposed by Stephen Littlechild, the electricity industy regulator, with effect from next April of RPI inflation minus 3 per cent. That is an extremely tough rarget, said Mr Jefferies. Without technological advances to exploit, cutting jobs was the best way to achieve savings.

THE "dash for gas" in power cut on previous NGC prediction further 700 employees by the end of March 1994, to a total of 5.000. Restructuring and redundancies are expected to cost £40 million this year. NGC is talking to three

TTM\_\_\_\_C.

American telephone companies seeking to become its partner in plans to install a high-quality bulk telephone network beside its power cables. Telecom Electric, a new company, has been formed. It will be chaired by Gordon Owen, former chief executive at Cable & Wireless's Mercury subsidiary, and the chief exec-utive will be David Day, previously a BT director. TE will invest £100 million over the next 18 months.

in the half-year to September, NGC's turnover rose 1.7 per cent. to 5666 million, despite a 0.3 per cent dip, to 117.5 terrawan hours, in electricity consumption. Pre-tax profits rose 7.3 per cent to 1261 million. Dividends to shareholder companies rose 10.5 per cent to £42 million.



Turning down the gas: John Uttley, finance director, left, and David Jefferies

# Rights boost Anglo-Irish Bank

sively meant that earnings fell 23 per cent to 1r5.09p a share.

ANGLO-IRISH Bank, the expand its loan book aggres-Dublin commercial bank, raised pre-tax profits by 13 per cent to Ir£7.3 million (£6.7 million) in the year to end-September.

It did so with the help of an Ir£26 million rights issue a year ago. The bank's refusal to

Construction company

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25 employees - health scheme and

The final dividend is being held at 1r2p a share, to make 1r3.36p for the full year (Neil Bennett writes). Gerry Murphy, Anglo's

chairman, said the bank is

ing in Ireland. Lending in Ireland remains the bank's main market, and advances grew by Ir£163 million to IrE513 million. The bank had a loss of Ir£1.61 million in Britain, partly due to high bad

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# Cost increase depresses Stock Exchange income

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INCOME of the London Stock Exchange fell by £6 million to £94.5 million in the first six months of the financial year. due to lower settlement and new-issue volumes and the transfer of the traded-options market from the exchange

Over the same period, however, total costs rose by \$5.9 million, mainly because of feasibility studies on a new trading system. Another factor was that spending on the exchange's Taurus paperless settlement system increased to £13.5 million, near the expected peak

In the first half of the year, the London Stock Exchange still managed to make a marginal profit of £495,000. against £13.8 million at the same stage a year earlier, but Sir Andrew Hugh Smith, the exchange's chairman, said that there was again likely to be a deficit for the full year, which would be slightly higher than last year's £8.2 million. In Share Link, the independent execution only stockbroker, is to spend £1.25 million on computers and software to increase its capacity to handle the business of pri-

# Hewetson cuts payout

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HEWETSON, the Hull flooring products and building materials group, has reduced its interim dividend to 0.5p (1.6p) after another difficult trading period. Pre-tax profits in the six months to end-September fell to £476,000 (£703,000) on turnover of £14.3 million (£19.2 million). Undiluted earnings per share were 2.09p (4.6p). Interest charges have been reduced and gearing has fallen to 28 per cent (48 per cent). Alan Marsh, former joint managing director of Hewetson Floors, resigned in July. Bernard Murphy was appointed finance director in August.

# Allen takes a tumble

ALLEN, the property and construction group, saw pre-tax profits fall to £860,000 (£2.01 million) in the six months to end-September. Turnover was £25.1 million (£31.4 million). Earnings per share were 2.45p (5.85p). The interim dividend has been maintained at 1.65p a share, and the board intends to recommend a final dividend of 3.35p a share, making a maintained total of 5p for the year. The shares fell 20p to 57p in September of the shares fell 20p to 57p in September of the shares fell 20p to 57p in September of the shares fell 20p to 57p in September of the year. The shares fell 20p to 57p in September after a warning that interim profits would be "materially" lower. Yesterday, the shares were unchanged at 66p.

# Advance by Diploma

DIPLOMA, the electronics and building components group, reports pre-tax profits for the 53 weeks ended September up from £14.5 million to £16.6 million on a turnover down from £141.9 million to £132.3 million. Net cash holdings at the year-end totalled £26.3 million £26.5 million). The final dividend is raised from 6.5p to 7p a share, making 9.75p (8.75p) for the year. Profits from electronics were £8.4 million (£6.2 million), though building components' profits were marginally weaker at £6 million (£6.2 million). The shares rose 23p to 345p.

# Capita wins contract

CAPITA Group, the company that specialises in providing management services to the public sector, has won a fiveyear contract worth £15 million to operate Kent County Council's mainframe computer and data network. The contract was won by competitive tender. Capita will create a multi-purpose business centre at the Kings Hill business park, West Mailing, near Maidstone, creating 150 jobs in addition to the 50 Kent county council computer staff who are being transferred

# Chemex turns in a profit

By George Sivell

CHEMEX, the environmental-analysis group formed in 1987, turned in its first full-year profit yesterday of £52,083 before tax for the 12 months to September 30.

The profit compares to a loss of £786,828 during the previous year and puts earnings per share at 0.07p against losses of 1.75p. However, the group will need High Court approval for a balance sheet restructuring before it is in a position to pay a dividend when profits

Chemex, which specialises in measuring contaminants, is looking forward to next year when the lower pound is expected to help overseas sales, at present about 25 per cent of business. A move to cheaper premises is expected to bring further cost reductions.

The annual meeting, due on December 16, is intended to be adjourned until January 14 — after publication of the annual report and reconstruction proposals on December 21. The shares rose 0.25p to 3.5p yesterday.

# **Marling** looks to expand

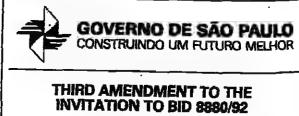
By OUR CITY STARF

MARLING, the industrial fabrics group, is bouncing back from losses and has announced, with news of a restructuring, that it is looking at possible acquisitions in industrial webbing and narrow fabrics. Marling promised shareholders yesterday that acquisitions would only be pursued where they met the group's criteria of positive cash generation and enhancement of earnings per share growth.
Marling made £659,000 before tax in the six months to end-September, as anticipated at the time of the £18 million rights issue in June. This is an improvement on the £593,000 A

and a full year loss of almost Unlike last year, there is no interim dividend, but Marling says it intends to pay a fullyear dividend. Earnings in the half year were 0.57p a share, against 0.86p of losses in the first half of last year.

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David Abel Smith, the chief tic about the group's future.



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# Barclays aims to close 500 branches over four years

BANKING CORRESPONDENT

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BARCLAYS branches will disappear from 500 high streets in the next four years, the bank said yesterday, as part of a drive to cut costs and streamline its network. News of the drastic cutbacks came as the bank confirmed it is shedding a further 3,000 jobs by the end of 1995 in addition to the

15,000 already planned. The accelerated branch closures and job cuts are part of an initiative by Andrew Buxton, the recently appointed chief executive, to cut ex-penses. Barclays, Britain's big-gest bank, is forecast by analysts to be heading for a loss this year and the announce-

**Tyneside** 

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Hong Kong's biggest tele-

Wah, is to set up a £10 million

production plant at Simon-side, Tyne and Wear, creating

280 jobs. The company will invest £3.25 million. The rest

will come in grants and loans

from the trade department, Tyne and Wear Development

Corporation and the Euro-pean Iron and Steel

The company makes sets under brand names such as

Akai, Bush and Schneider.

The 170,000 sq ft plant will start up next September.

Car dealer slips

Shares in Dagenham Motors slumped 25p to 78p after a warning that second-half prof-its are likely to fall short of

market expectations. David

Philip, chairman, said profits

from vehicle sales at the largest

dealership at Dagenham suf-

fered after the introduction of

short-time working and re-dundancies at the Ford plant.

Victaulic has bought Lindap-

ter International from the receivers for £4.8 million. Lindapter specialises in fixing materials to steel without welding or drilling.

South Staffordshire Water has

increased its interim dividend by 11.9 per cent to 15p per share on the strength of an 11

Victaulic buy

Water rises

78.7p per share.

Danka ahead

London-quoted American dis-tributor of office equipment and supplies, lifted pre-tax profits 32 per cent to £7 mil-lion (£5.3 million) in the six months to end-September. Earnings per share were £6.4p (13.1p). The interim dividend is 1.5p (1.25p) a share. The shares rose 2p to 253p.

Unilever scoop

Unilever , the Anglo-Dutch

conglomerate, has agreed in

principle to buy two ice-cream

companies, America's Isaly

Klondike Company and Can-

ada's Popsicle Industries, part

of Empire of Carolina Inc.

The two have a combined an-

mual turnover of more than US\$100 million.

■ The announcement by Barclays of more cutbacks is seen as an attempt by the bank, which is expected to make a loss this year, to restore confidence in its management

ment was seen in the City as an attempt by the bank to re-store confidence in its

management. The bank said it had increased its cutbacks due to "an increasingly competitive envi-ronment and difficult econ-omic conditions." It also warn-ed staff that it could be forced to make some of them compulsorily redundant. "The bank will continue on voluntary schemes, but realistically it

take up will be sufficient to achieve the necessary reducsince last year, out of the original 15,000 target. Staff

numbers in the British retail

bank should fall to 75,000 by

the end of the year, down from

But the most dramatic change in the bank's plans is

its decision to increase the

programme of branch closure. Bardays currently has 2,400

branches, one of the largest

networks in the country. It closed 110 outlets in 1991 and 120 so far this year.

The bank plans to increase this to 150 branches a year from now until 1995, which

will reduce the network to only

1,900. The axe is expected to

fall heaviest on rural and suburban areas, and accounts

will often be transferred to the

nearest town centres. Other banks which have already tried to close branches are

regretting it since they have

The Banking, Insurance, and Finance Union, which has 12,000 members in Bar-

clays said the bank was sacri-

ficing jobs to win favour among City investors. "This

has a lot more to do with short-

term measures to impress the City than long-term plans to develop in the high street," a

"The Quinton target for job losses was already high. Now we have the Buxton target which is even higher," he

added. Bifu said it had been

told by Barclays that the new

18,000 figure was not a ceil-

ing and job losses could even-

The announcement of the cuts comes after Royal Bank of

Scotland said last week it was

cutting 3,500 branch staff, almost a quarter of entire work

force. New technology is al-

lowing banks to centralise

paperwork in specialist centres

and shed many of the clerical

But Bifu said removing

paperwork from the branches will decrease the level of ser-

vice. "Bardays bank is lower-

ing the threshold for conti-

nental competitors to come

in," said the spokesman. Bifu

is lobbying Parliament tomor-row to highlight the damage

staff in each branch.

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84,500 at the end of 1990.

tions," it said in a statement.
Until now Barclays has
avoided ordering compulsory
redundancies among derical staff, though it has made enforced cutbacks in its security and catering operations that are being contracted out.

Barclays also admitted it had accelerated its cutbacks

# **BET** gives warning

BET has given warning that difficult trading conditions "will continue for an extended

The group, which employs 100,000 people, is heavily dependent on the health of the

John Clark, the chief executive brought in 18 months ago after a management shake-up, says .18 under-performing husinesses have been sold, raising £81 million, and that a further seven are under notice of sale. However, his fundamental outlook on the economy has changed, and more asset sales and further restructuring is planned.

BET, he said, needs counter-cyclical activities to insulate profits from a general downturn in the economy.

services markets", he added. The group's financial base has been much improved. Mr Clark said, and overheads had been under attack. There was an £11 million charge against profits in the first half because of restructuring, and "we ex-pect further significant costs of

Mr Clark said several bustnesses bought in the 1980s were never fully integrated

If BET pays a total dividend unchanged for the year at 6.5p a share, such payment is unlikely to be covered by carnings. BET says the board will have to consider very carefully the correct level [of dividends for the following year, taking into account the situation relating to earnings at that time.



Tough decisions: Andrew Buxton, the recently appointed Barclays chief executive

# Banks may boycott proposed watchdog

CORRESPONDENT

THE British Bankers Association has joined the chorus of criticism against proposals for a Personal Investment Authority to regulate retail financial services. Its opposition increases the likelihood that banks will attempt to boycott the authority if it is formed. Sir Nicholas Goodison,

president of the association and chairman of TSB Group, said: "The proposals as they stand are fragmented and unconvincing." In a memo-randum to the PIA formation committee, the association said the case for a fundamental upheaval of the regulatory

regime has not been proven. The association believes that banks will refuse to join the PIA and share the high cost of regulating independent finan-cial advisers. "The banks would on the

whole prefer to stay with the devil they know at a price they understand," Lord Inchyra, director general of the association, said.

The association says that regulating all independent financial advisers will be expensive. It suggests the PLA should vet membership applications and bar any inade-quate firms.

We question whether the proposed changes to the structure of regulation can be justified when an apparent objective would be to secure the continued existence of less successful IFAs who are unable to run their business. It would be unfortunate if the problems experienced by Fimbra were to be imported into the PIA," the association's

memorandum says. The Securities and Investment Board is looking at ways to change existing laws so that it could force the banks to join the PIA if necessary.

The BBA is planning to meet Andrew Large, the chairman of the SIB to discuss its objections. Sir Brian Hayes, the chairman of the formation committee of the PlA. is planning to visit the banks individually to try to resolve

# after profits slide

By COLIN CAMPBELL

period of time".

dependent on the health of the British economy and pace of consumer spending. The group has cut its interim dividend from 4.25p to 2p a share, although it says it intends to hold this year's total dividend at 6.5p. Pre-tax profit for the period to September 26 fell from £71.5 million to \$40.5 million.

The company is prepared to enter "new, attractive support

this kind during the remain-der of the year", he added.

into existing operations, and many were being seriously affected by the recession. Those without growth poten-tial will be divested, Mr Clark

BET shares fell 202p to

# Sugar ready to answer critics

By COLIN CAMPBELL

per cent rise in pre-tax profits to £5.1 million in the six ALAN Sugar, founder chairman of Amstrad, says he will respond to shareholders' quesmonths to end-September. Earnings rose 6.5 per cent to tions at today's annual meeting about his plan to take the group private with an offer of 30p a share cash — if he is Danka Business Systems, the London-quoted American dis-

"It would be churlish to ignore that which is uppermost in most shareholders' minds" his office said last night, though Amstrad pointed out that today's meeting concerns the affairs of the company for its past financial year, and that the debating forum for Mr Sugar's buyout

plan is on December 10. Dissident shareholders, represented by Gideon Fiegel as chairman of the Amstrad Shareholders Club, said they will attend today's meeting, and raise the question of Mr

Sugar's proposals.

Mr Sugar welcomed the statement from the takeover panel clarifying that Mr Fiegel holds proxies for approximately 2 million Amstrad shares, and not 25 million as

Whitegate pass suggested by the media. Whitegate Leisure is passing Amstrad admitted that it had drawn the takeover pan-el's attention to claims that Mr its final dividend after reporting a pre-tax loss of £2.9 mil-Fiegel held proxies for several institutions, and said it was lion in the eight months to August, compared with a loss of £1.1 million in the year to last December. Whitegate has relieved that "this myth that he speaks for 25 million shares changed its year-end. has been punctured".

# **Consortium close to** winning ITN bid

By MELINDA WITTSTOCK, MEDIA CORRESPONDENT

tium bidding for Independent Television News last night looked destined for success after securing irrevocable acceptances from shareholders representing 74.7 per cent of

A new and final offer, sent yesterday to the troubled news company's shareholders by the consortium led by Carlion Communications, which is chaired by Michael Green, expires on Friday. Under ITN's articles of association, it needs to win over only another 0.3 per cent of the shares. Under the improved offer,



Green: new offer

THE powerful media consor- the details of which were unveiled last week in The Times, the three ITV companies that lost their franchises - Thames, TVS and TSW — have all accepted £14 a share. But the original terms of £1 a share apply to all

> The consortium, which includes Reuters, Central Television and LWT, has also been expanded to include Granada Television, Scottish and An-glia. Each of the four original consortium members are to reduce their 20 per cent stakes to make way for Granada as a fifth and equal parmer. All five main shareholders will have 18 per cent each, with Anglia and Scottish 5 per cent each. Yorkshire Television, which

stridently opposed the original deal unless its share of ITN's £53.3 million a year agreement to supply ITV with News At Ten and other bulletins was reduced, has finally persuaded the consortium to allow it to pay equal amounts each year. For all others the five year supply deal is weighted to be more expensive in the early

Last night, the consortium expected to win agreement from Yorkshire, as well as HTV, Grampian, Border, Ulster and Channel. The consortium has promised to inject £30 million into ITN.

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### suffered an early mark-down with investors keeping an anxious eye on the foreign exchange in the wake of weekend ERM realignments for the peseta escudo. Prices recovered to close

GOVERNMENT securities

virtually all-square on the day, with investors remaining on the sidelines awaiting details of the proposed government auction. The Bank of England will invite tenders for between 62 billion and 63 billion of stock. Dealings will begin immediately, although the auction will not take place until December 2.

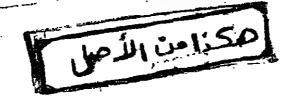
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# Jury still out over BET's share prospects

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American brought into BET 18 months ago with a mission to sort the group out, yesterday left a Damoclean sword dangling over the share's

While it is BET's "current intention" to maintain this year's total dividend at 6.5p a share, the payment does not look like being covered by likely net earnings, and it is questionable if dividends can be maintained at such levels in the following year.

Underlying pre-tax profits of £52 million for the six months ended September 26 in a time of recession, compared with an underlying £66 million performance previously, may not so look bad against a published interim pre-tax outcome of £40.5 million (£70.5 million). And a sharp reduction in gearing and interest charges that fell from £22 million to £9 million

is welcome progress.

The interim dividend is cut from 4.25p to 2p a share, and if BET fulfils its hopes, then the final will rise to leave the year's total unchanged if recession took its tall on BET's core activities in the first half, then stand by. BET's view is that trading conditions will remain difficult.

Half-time profits bore an Ell million restructuring charge, and significant charges are likely in the second half. BET's aim is to find counter-cyclical profit

gloom knocks further pounds off core activities. Operating profits from continuing operations were £61.9 million in the first half, down from £100.7 million a year ago, although up from £54.3 million earned in the six months to March 28. Asset sales go on, 18 business raising £81 million have gone, and a further seven are under sale notice. BET suffers adversely from advance corporation tax. more provisions (size unkown) will be made in the second half, and although this year's dividend could be safe, there

Pre-tax profits of £70 million this financial year ending March would equate to net earnings of 2.9 a share, and put the shares at 92p on 31.7 times prospective earnings.

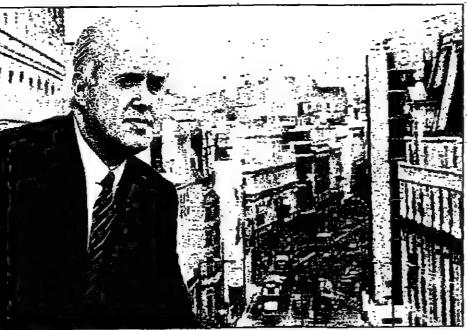
can be no banking on the

following year's payments.

An investment now is an act of faith that the recession will soon end, or that the Clark team is smart enough to beat the recession hands down. The jury is still out, although the verdict could well be that it is far too early to buy.

### Lmap

AT FIRST sight. Emap seems to have wrought miracles in extracting a rise in pre-tax profits from £9.9 million to £14.8 million in the six months to October 3, bearing in mind its dependence on consumer magazines. Indeed,



Man at the top: John Clark, the no-nonsense American brought in to sort out BET

Emap reckons to have increased sales of those magazines by 4 per cent.A 10 per has also been maintained.

Earnings per share rose 42 per cent from 4.3p to 6.1p, but Emap says that, after allowing for the benefits of the £78 million rights issue in June and £1 million of disposal profits, the underlying rise is more like 20 per cent.

Emap makes no secret that the main ingredient of its success has been the benefits of the past 18 months of cost cuts. For the full year, analysts expect Emap should be capa-ble of £42 million, giving carnings of 16.6p, putting the shares on a multiple of 18 times at yesterday's price of 299p, up 7p. A dividend rise from 7.228p to 8p is expected after the interim rise from 1.927p to 2.075p. It appears that Emap is trying to restore a more conservative cover on its payouts. On 8p, the yield is

3.6 per cent. At such ratings, the market is clearly up with events at Emap, so it is interesting to

following year. Here analysts believe Emap could make £49 million before tax. But the key is that having run out of cost savings, Emap will need to see some growth in advertising revenue to achieve it. Buy the shares only if you think advertising revenue is about to take

# Fenner

FENNER, the Hull engineering group, has demonstrated just how tough times are for

gramme. That brings the total

number of jobs expected to be lost by the bank to 18,000 by

1996. Barclays said it needed

to reduce costs and increase

efficiency in an increasingly

Scotland, 3p easier at 181p, announced 5,000 job losses.

The rest of the banks also lost

ground with Lloyds gained 4p to 501p, HSBC eased 6p to 527p, National Westminster

lp to 384p, TSB Group 2p to 137p, and Abbey National 4p

Transfer Technology, the

precision engineering group.

advanced another 3p to 310p

The group has been talking to

a number of institutions re-

cently and is expected to meet

a further half-a-dozen later

today. Credit Lyonnais Laing.

the stockbroker, remains a buyer of Transfer Technology

despite downgrading profits within the past month from £14.4 million to £13 million to

take into account short-time

for a two-day gain of 26p.

Last week Royal Bank of

competitive market-place.

conveyor belts, a 25.6 per cent fall in pre-tax profits to £5.53 million in the year to end-August was just ahead of expectations. Turnover eased per cent to £197 million. with overseas activities making up 60 per cent of the total. Profits from South Africa and America helped operating profits to edge up to £11.3 million, but rationalisation and redundancies led to a £2.27 million exceptional charge and a small loss for UK operations. Fenner is

operationally geared and about E3 million of annual costs have been taken out over the past 18 months. But doubts remain over the timing of any UK upturn and future business levels from

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British Coal. Strong cash generation and a favourable dollar/sterling exchange rate helped reduce borrowings by £7.3 million. Gearing fell to 40 per cent (49 per cent). Unrelieved advance 5,894.97. corporation tax and high overseas tax wiped out earnings at

2.5p, giving a reduced payout of 4.2p (8.55p) for the year. Analysts forecast pre-tax profits up to E8.2 million this year, giving earnings of 4.4p a share and a maintained dividend. The shares, up 4p at 66p, are not cheap on 15

times prospective earnings.

0.01p (5.47p) a share. The final dividend is halved to

# Dow turns lower in early trading

New York - Wall Street shares turned lower in midmorning after a mixed opening as the Dow industrials gave back some of the gains won on Friday amid the expiration of November options, traders reported.

The Dow Jones industrial average was off 4.49 points to 3,222.77 and declining issues led advancing shares to five.

Tokyo — The stock market was closed for a national holiday and will reopen today. The Nikkei average index was up 162.29 points, or 0.96 per cent, to 17,033.60 on Friday.

Sentiment had been brightened by the announcement that Parliament would begin debating a supplementary

☐ Hong Kong — Shares fin-ished with modest advances in a dull trading session after spending the day swinging between moderate losses and gains. The Hang Seng index put on 16.79 points to close at

Amony Mak, an assistant director at Vickers Ballas, said: "There was some shortcovering in index fitures, which helped to pull the spot market up, plus there was considerable institutional interest in Hong Kong Telecom.

☐ Singapore — Share prices closed steady, but were off the highs as investors consolidared their positions.

The Straits Times industrial index rose 5.39 points to 1,419.21 on volume of 147.61 million shares against 138.78 million on Friday. D Sydney — Australian share prices closed sharply higher with the leading index notchsince April 10, aided by heavy

bargain hunting.
The All-Ordinaries index finished 36.3 points higher at 1446.4

☐ Frankfurt — Shares ended lower after an early positive start lost momentum as the market switched its attention 10 a weak chemicals sector.

Dealers said early gains quickly dissipated as follow up orders failed to emerge. The Dax index ended 13.87 points down at 1,530.89. (Reuter)

# STOCK MARKET

# Shares fall back after reaching all-time high

all-time high in early trading as investors continued to reflect satisfactorily on Friday's successful outcome to the Gatt

The FT-SE 100 index was more than 12 points up first thing, touching its highestever intra-trading level of 2,745.2, exceeding the previous closing peak of 2,737.8 achieved in May. But lack of interest and signs of selling on the futures market meant that prices were unable to hold on to their early gains despite a steady performance by the

Whitbread A fell 4p to 445p as Yamaichi, the Japanese securities house, turned seller. Yamaichi does not believe the reduction in base rates will be enough to revive consumer spending and says Whitbread faces a difficult future.

bound on the foreign exchange in the wake of the weekend ERM realignment. An opening fall on Wall Street also took its toll, leaving the index closing 9.5 down at 2,722.9 in thin trading that saw only 461 million shares change hands. The firmer dollar was good news for Reuters, up 4p at £12.97, and Wellcome, 12p better at £10.36. But talk of a profit downgrading by Salomon Brothers, the American securities house, left BAT Industries 10p cheaper at 955p while

Rothmans International eased 11p to 596p ahead of trading news. ICI remained a dull market.

falling 15p to £10.09. The price has been unsettled by a bearish circular from Smith New Court expressing concern about the group's proposed demerger. Smith's valuation on the proposed demgerer has been calculated lower than other estimates and has helped to increase concern about the wisdom of such a move in the current economic climate.

day's interim figures, touching at 775p. Analysts are forecasting pre-tax profits of about £90 million compared with £94.9 million for the corresponding period, but there is likely to be a dilution of earnings follow-ing the acquisition of Virgin's Music business.

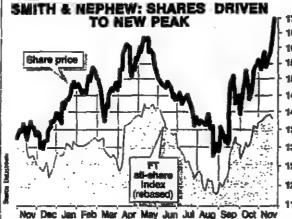
Wassall of about 100p a share.

the household products group, which includes names like Elastoplast and Nivea, were chased to a new high with a rise of 5p to 170p. Whispers in the market suggest that a stakebuilding operation in

Thorn EMI remained a nervous market ahead of to-

Evode, the coatings supplier, lost 1p to 90p. It is the target of an unwanted bid from Wassall, the industrial conglomerate, valuing it at 80p a share. BZW is telling clients to hold on to to Evode and await a higher offer from

Wassall firmed 5p to 193p. Shares of Smith & Nephew.



being made. Johnson & Johnson and Eli Lilley in America continue to be mentioned as potential suitors. But it would appear that the demand for Smith & Nephew has more to do with a fundamental change of heart by investors in the City than any impending bid.

The group has just completed its annual tour of meetings with institutional shareholders and appears to have made a favourable impression with them about prospects. Some parts of the business are performing better than others. but a revival of economic conditions would see the group firing on all cylinders.

Analysts are forecasting a rise in pre-tax profits for the current year from £132.4 million to £141 million followed by £156 million in 1993. BET, the business services

after reporting a drop in halfyear pre-tax profits from £71.5 million to £40.5 million and a cut in the dividend. The group blamed the recession. John Clark, chief executive said that further restructuring costs

But there was cheerful news for shareholders of Emap, the newspaper and magazine publisher, where profits in the first half climbed by 50 per cent to £14.83 million. The figures were boosted by the benefits of recent acquisitions coming on stream and various cost-cutting exercises that enabled the group to withstand the downturn in advertising revenue. The shares respond ed with a rise of 7p to 299p. Bardays Bank eased 5p to

351p after confirming plans

to shed a further 3,000 jobs as

spite current property con-

ditions the group remained in "a sound financial position".

"Conditions in the property market have remained ex-

tremely depressed and in the

absence of property dealing

opportunities the directors

have decided that the costs

associated with Mr Bloom,

whose primary duty was the

portfolio, can no longer be

But it praised Mr Bloom's

"outstanding contribution".

He had been "the driving

force" to the group's develop-

The new plan for Dwyer

The statement went on:

would hit second-half results.

and 1993.

working at Ford. But despite this Laing is continuing to forecast earnings growth of 15 per cent for the current year Dagenham Motors, the vehicle distribution group, tumbled 25p to 78p after warning that profits in the second half were likely to fall short of City expectations. The group blamed short-time working and redundancies at Ford

abolition of car tax and price reductions from manufacturers has hit the value of used motors. The news also hit Lex Service, 6p lower at 230p. Lucas Industries enjoyed

another early burst of speculative buying before losing ground to finish all-square on the day at 121p. In the past few weeks, there has been persisitent talk about a bid from the likes of TI Group, 5p lower at 282p, Siebe, 1p firmer at 369p, and Mannes mann, the German industrial group. But a spokesman for the company said yesterday:

BZW downgraded profits by 64 million to £25 million. The shares ended 1½p down 792 p after Kleinwort Benson said they were a long-term buy with the group capable of making £90 million by 1994.

"Any bid would be defended ferociously".

Vickers, which includes the Rolls-Royce huxury car maker, fell a further 4p to 81p amid talk of a possible rights issue. Rolls-Royce sales have fallen dramatically because of the recession and the group re-cently lost a lucrative Middle East order for its Challenger tank. Analysts are becoming increasingly concerned that the group may turn to share-holders soon for extra funds.

MICHAEL CLARK

# **EC** wants tighter bank rules FROM TOM WALKER

IN BRUSSELS

SIR Leon Brittan, the European Commissioner for comters in Brussels that new single market rules on bank-ing controls should be made tighter if BCCI-style fiascos

Sir Leon said four enquiries into the collapse of BCCI supported the sort of rules coming into effect across the European Community. Sir Leon said the reports all

agreed with the EC's second banking directive, which supports home country controls over banks. In simple terms. this means that a British bank's affairs outside Britain will be controlled by British regulatory authorities. He urged that aspects of EC

law should be tightened. "Su-pervisors should be empowered to withdraw or to revoke a licence for regulated financial institutions if they belong to an opaque group structure which make supervision of the institution ineffective or

He also advised against allowing banks to have their head offices outside their states of incorporation and asked that rules should be amended so that auditors and supervisors co-ordinate more in their banking enquiries.

# Bloom to make way for Esfandi at loss-making Dwyer property group

By DEREK HARRIS DESMOND Bloom, the

flamboyant developer who in six years built the Dwyer property group into a business worth at its peak nearly £50m. is stepping down as chairman and chief executive of the now loss-making company.

He is being replaced by another leading figure in the

property world, Joey Esfandi, who becomes chief executive. Mr Bloom, who has a three-

direct pay-off of about £250,000, but the total remuneration is understood to be about £400,000. Mr Esfandi, currently chief executive of the private Winglaw property group,

pledged to return Dwyer, a quoted company, back to profitability and to restore the dividend. There would be "stringent cost-cutting and active management of the portfolio", said

Mr Esfandi, who has a reputation as a man who makes Winglaw has a 15 per cent stake in Dwyer and Mr Esfandi said: "We have achieved board representation in order to protect and en-

Anthony Kirwan, who has been a member of the Dwyer board since 1985, takes on the



Building up Dwyer: Peter Andrews, left, and Joey Esfandi ment yesterday said that de-

non-executive chairmanship of the group. Peter Andrews, a Winglaw

director, is also joining the Dwyer board. He said: "There is a good prospect of getting into a break-even situation at Dwyer during the current

Next month Dwyer is expected to report a loss in the year to September of about £1.4 million.

Dwyer put through a capital reconstruction last April with a active management of the round of cost-cutting. The group's administrative expenses in the past financial year are believed to have been in the region of £1.5 million, a reduction of just over 10 per ment since property activities cent on the previous year. A Dwyer company state-

Mayfair headquarters. Mr Esfandi has also indicated he will be cutting back salary levels, including his own. Dwyer's share price once stood at 400p but has latterly slumped below the 20p level. Yesterday it was trading main-

lio includes office blocks in the South East and also shopping centres, among them the Abbeycentre in Belfast. Winglaw has been reducing its role in office development but has a number of housebuilding ventures: it has approximately £13 million in net assets against nearly £40 million at

its peak In a recent deal, Winglay has been involved with Japanese interests in developing State House at High Holborn in central London. Winglaw has also had its

problems, however. It fell victim to the Robert Maxwell empire which had taken a 20 per cent stake in the group. A stalled property transaction involving Maxwell left Winglaw with a number of properties and this has meant

a write-off of about £10 Mr Esfandi said Dwyer and Winglaw would continue to be run independently and that

# **Food stores** link up in consortium

A GROUP of medium-sized food retailers including Budgens and Circle K has joined forces to create a consortium that will rank as Britain's sixth-largest supermarket chain. Budgens alone estimates

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that membership of the new Central Buying Company, which begins operating on January I. will increase its product lines by a third in The CBC will pool the

resources of medium-sized independent chains and use the extra muscle to negotiate more favourable buying John von Spreckelsen, the chief executive of Budgens,

has been the driving force behind the creation of the CBC, which is a subsidiary of the National Independent Supermarket Association, known as Nisa Today's. The seven key members of the consortium are Booths,

Budgens, Circle K. Grandways, Londis, Nisaway and Walter Willson. Other members of Nisa Today's, including the Europa food chain in London, will join in phases. Together, they embrace 2,100 stores serving 10 million customers a week

and enjoying annual sales of

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# From rearguard to vanguard

ith one bound, the Auditing Practices Board has leapt from the rearguard in the V V debate over corporate governance to the vanguard of reform. Its paper on The Future Development of Auditing reverses the traditional defence that the public expects too much of auditors. It concludes that auditors are largely to blame for the expectations gap and that they should close it by taking responsibility for what investors and the wider public want them to do. The proposals are sufficiently ahead of the game to pre-empt suggestions from elsewhere of new elements in company accounts that the auditors would have to vet.

The more radical thinking comes less in these ambitious and impressive proposals than in the ideas of how companies and the profession might be governed, which are intended to reopen debate. These represent the surfacing on an undercurrent of private thinking in the profession and also, perhaps. the choice of non-accountants to lead this agendasetting. If anything like these proposals are accepted, the auditing arm of accountancy firms would become the engine of their growth instead of loss-leader. Accountants would have a strong argument for limitating their exposure to spiralling liability claims, and would see their combination of advice and audit for the same experience. for the same company retained

No wonder leaders of the profession rushed to praise the initiative. It may seem radical, but Bill Morrison of KPMG, the chairman of the APB, is a man they can trust. The possibility of audit governance being brought together in something like the Financial Reporting Council operates for setting and enforcing accounting standards, perhaps even becoming part of the FRC, seems to hold few terrors. The key to the APB's agenda, however, is that it requires much greater reform elsewhere. In particular, it sees the reliance of the initial Cadbury proposals on a greater role for non-executive directors as inadequate and points towards some form of twotier board as the most logical way to bring shareholders' influence to bear within companies. Others must pick up that hot potato.

# Vanishing trade

Ithough October's trade gap was slightly narrower than expected, the Treasury will doubtless be relieved by the temporary disappearance of the monthly trade figures between January and July next year. Because of the abolition of Furnishing fiscal footiers information on interof Europe's fiscal frontiers, information on intra-European trade will not be ready for publication until the middle of next year. The hiatus could not have been better timed.

That is precisely the time when the notorious "Jcurve" effect of devaluation will be doing its greatest damage to Britain's trade balance, initially boosting the sterling value of imports (most of which are priced in foreign currencies). The competitive benefits for export and import volumes will come through only six to nine months later. How convenient that full trade figures will disappear during precisely the scary period before the "J-curve" turns up.

Better still, the absence of figures for intra-European trade should temporarily suppress the symptoms of the impending recession in Germany and continental Europe on British exporters. No news will not, however, be entirely good news. The monthly figures for Britain's trade outside Europe throughout next year. But the figures will all be in money terms, with no estimates of export and import volume so beneficial early effects of devaluation on trade volumes will not be evident. Meanwhile, the disagreeable operation of the J-curve will be all too visible in the value of Britain's trade outside Europe.

**EUROPEAN VIEW** 

# Italy eager not to miss the ERM boat with its floating currency

Wolfgang Münchau

says that despite the latest realignment

it is only a question

of when, not whether, Italy rejoins the ERM

othing fuels expectations of a realignment in the exchange-rate mechanism more than a realignment itself. This only too familiar tale unfolded again yester-day, a day after the devaluation of the peseta and the escudo, when the markets put the boot into the Irish punt and the Danish krone. Ireland's decision to raise overnight rates to an absurd level of 30 per cent to defend the indefensible, gave rise to an eerie sense of déjd vu: the protagonists may have changed, but the mad game

One might want to think that Britain and Italy must be glad not to have to put up with such speculative pressures, after their currencies were spended on Black Wednesday. This is certainly true for Britain, where fiscal and monetary policies have been relaxed substantially since.

remains the same.

This is not true for Italy, where there has been no up side, no cutting of rates, no relaxation in policy. The only conceivable good to have come from the lira's departure from the ERM was that it may have provided further proof, if any was needed, about the dire necessity to accept the economics of austerity. In any other respect, Italians look back at Black Wednesday in anger. It is, therefore, no surprise that the Italian government wants to see the lira rejoin the system as soon as possible.

There were some suggestions that if all goes well, the lira's return could even happen next month. Within the Bank of Italy, a marginally greater degree of caution prevails, but even there the return of lira is thought to be no more than two or three months

Yesterday, Piero Barucci, the Italian treasury minister, said that the realignment will probably postpone the return of the lira to the ERM. The fault was not with the system as such. but with "the way in which it is

Yet, in view of the considerable political uncertainties that may come to bear on the government next year, proponents of a return to the ERM argue that Italy's unhappily floating currency would "miss the boat" if it waited too long.

Some recent events appear to argue vour of st some important policies will be put in place. The Italian parliament will approve the 1993 budget, little more than a formality after the Senate voted the week before last to approve the core of the package. The most important aspect is the L93,000 billion (£45 billion) austerity package of tax increases and spending cuts. By



Growth move: ERM re-entry at a low level would give Italian farmers a competitive advantage over their French counterparts

December, Italy will also have re-ceived approval for an EC loan of 8 billion ecu (£6.6 billion). As part of its carrot and stick policy towards Italy, the EC has made approval of the loan conditional upon the passing of the austerity budget.

A number of other factors will have eiped as well. The mark has weakened considerably since Black Wednesday. The markets believe that a German recession is certain, and this may cajole the Bundesbank into cutting interest rates. While this all amounts to a somewhat facile analysis of the German domestic situation. there can be little doubt that, on the margin, the ERM operates better when German economy is in recession than when it is overheating.

But whatever the Italians wish to do, it is difficult to see how the lira can return to the ERM without the full support of the Bundesbank. This will not prove much of an obstacle, provided that the rate at which the lina rejoins the system is considered to be "realistic". Here, too, there is reason for some optimism.
One of the Bundesbank's favoured

indicator of whether an ERM currency trades at a sustainable level is the adjusted for by purchasing power parities (PPP). The use of PPPs is no doubt controversial. The method that the Bundesbank seems to favour is as follows: the starting point is set at January 1987, the time of the last ERM-realignment prior to September. The choice of the starting point is crucial, since one can prove almost

anything if one chooses a convenient enough point. The other main ingredient in the formula is the rise in prices of tradeable goods, thereby excluding most untradeable services whose relative prices are irrelevant with respect to the exchange rate.

The analysis shows that the French franc and the Benefux currencies have remained stable against the mark throughout the period, essentially because of similar rates of inflation, while the lira and sterling have not. It is on the back of this analysis, though probably not exclusively, that the Bundesbank had thought of sterling, the lira and the peseta as depreciation candidates, while it considered the French franc as appropriately valued.

he crucial point is that if one uses this method of PPP/ suspension of both lira and sterling has effectively done the magic trick. The statistics show that the current lira and sterling exchange rates are just about right in PPPadjusted terms. They would suggest a tradeable goods PPP (1987) rate for sterling of DM2.45 to the pound, both close to their current trading

If one takes the PPPs seriously, one can arrive at two conclusions. First, since the free market has resulted in the "correct" exchange rate, a currency is better off outside the system, especially in the absence of clear economic convergence between the

ERM members. This view suggests that if one wanted to move towards a system of fixed, or quasi-fixed exchange rates, convergence should be the precursor for, rather than the result of, such a policy. Since Italy is only just embarking on a most painful course aimed at producing economic convergence, it would therefore be better to wait until a time when inflation and budget deficits

are stabilised at German levels. If one dismisses this argument as too laisser faire, as it will no doubt be dismissed in Italy, then one has little choice but to look for the "correct" exchange rate, a concept that would make advocates of free-floating

The difficulty is that if one anticipates that Italy and Spain will continue to suffer from higher inflation than Germany or France, then it may be desirable to build a tolerance margin into the chosen central rate, which would allow them to deflate to the "correct" level in a certain period of time. It would, therefore, be preferable to choose a "false" rate, which over time will become the "correct" rate, rather than vice versa.

It is on this particular point that between the Germans and the French. The French government wants to avoid cheap Italian imports, especially of agricultural goods such as wine, and hence opposes moves to lock the lira permanently into a low level, which would give Italian companies and farmers a systematic competitive advantage. Germany,

less concerned with Italian imports, wants to avoid another ERM crisis and the need to risk its own money supply in order to bail out other ERM members. The Bundesbank, therefore, would prefer to see the lira devalued further. Since its diplomatic dispute with Norman Lamont in September, Germany's central bank is quite understandably reluctant to be drawn into speculation about devaluation potential for any particular currency

ut it would be astonishing if the Bundesbank did not prefer a further lira devaluation to, say, L900, compared with a present rate of just over L860. In all these deliberations there exists a genuine dilemma: one needs to allow some flexibility for future divergences, and at the same time one does want to allow so much room as to encourage such divergence and distort trade flows.

Most Britons have reacted with relief and gratitude that all this talk about "correct" exchange rates has been pushed off the agenda. But if Italy rejoins the ERM, as is certain; if the Greek drachma joins next year, as Denmark ratify the Maastricht treaty, as is possible, then Britain and sterling will again look isolated.

German interest rates will by then be considerably lower than they are today, and the temptation to sneak back into the system, however inconceivable this may sound today, could simply be irresistible.

# THE TIMES CITY DIARY

### New homes for **Baring names**

TWO months on, Baring Se-

curities is still going through acute discomfort over the break-up of its expensively created European depart-ment. As part of 130 job losses, Barings dismissed virmally all its European team, a move described by one observer as "akin to throwing out the caviar because the fridge is full". Many first-class people left, but their talents are not being wasted. Jamie Stewart, who ran the European desk, is back with Jeremy Campbell-Lamerton, a former Barings man. They are running an emerging markets house for Inverlat, the Mexican-owned investment banking group, moving into what is fast becoming one of the most fashionable market areas. Deane Pennick, a top salesman, joined Hoare Govett yesterday, and Andrew Fellows, former medic and pharmacetucials salesmen. joined Enskilda last week. At Barings, the rump of the Euro desk is being run by Simon Aldridge, a former Savory Milln man, whom insiders say is not an entirely popular choice. Meanwhile, the job loss fall our apparently went as far as Frankfurt where Julius Baer, the Swiss bank is said to be livid. Its German research team was scattered when Barings poached Heino Ruland, a top economist, and analyst Heike Fornefett, only to let them go months later.

THE standard of numeracy among insurance companies salesman at Hoare Govett and leaves something to be de- an aviation fanatic. He dug



"Nothing to look forward to these days"

sired. An analysis of the latest Pearl Investor Confidence Index contains the following comment: "Whereas in August only 14 per cent of respon-dents sought to get the highest return on their investments. this number has nearly doubled to 23 per cent in Novem-ber." If only premiums nearly doubled at the same rate.

Flying high LORD King's rival, Bernard Attali, president of Air France, has discovered a new way of making brokers do their research. In London last month, talking to City chaps at the Aviation Club, he offered a free flight on Concorde to anyone who could come up with an American airline that could beat the record of Air France, which he bragged had paid £140 million in dividends to the French government in ten years. Enter Andrew Monk, a

around and came up with Delta Airlines and wrote to Attali to put him right. "It was just a bit of fun. I didn't even know his address, so I wrote to him care of Air France, Champs Elysée," Monk says. Attali, however, clearly took the matter seriously. To his amazement. Monk received a courteous letter from him and a £4,000 Concorde ticket.

## Shades of Bond

KROLL Associates, the financial investigator acting as sleuth for both Lord Hanson and the Kuwaiti government, tracking down Saddam Hussein's secret billions, is making every effort to distance itself from any downmarket associations its business might conjure up. Not only is it moving to Savile Row from its current HQ in the old M15 building, Leconfield House, in Curzon Street, but Ambrose Carey, one of its top men, stars in the latest issue of the magazine Harpers & Queen, as a sort of modern James Bond, trailed as one of Britain's most eligible batchelors. Another effort to change the Kroll image? "Not at all," says Carey, 30, 6 ft 4 ins and singled out for his blue blood and globe-trotting life-style. "It was all a big mistake and I hope to fade back into obscurity as soon as possible." Carey says he will not be availing himself of Savile Row tailors when the company moves shop. "I am not a highly paid director as Harpers & Queen says. I am an associate director and my tailor is ex-Savile Row and

very cheap," Carey insists. Debra Isaac

### Design Council aims to make British manufacturing great again

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From the Director General of The Design Council

Sir, The Confederation of British Industry's proposals to make British manufacturing industry more competitive are both far reaching and comprehensive, and include a number of areas in which the Design Council is already working to improve the competitive performance of British industry.

In particular, the Confederation of British Industry states that it should be a corporate priority "to recognise that innovation in its widest sense will differentiate between those companies which succeed and those which do not. Our aim at the Design Council is to help British industry develop better products through the total design process, since it is only through design and innovation that British manufacturers can once again produce the added value products that are truly competitive in world

markets. The Confederation of British Industry also identifies as a priority the need "to work more closely with the education community and ac-ademia, reinforcing industry/ education links, communicating the excitement and rewards of a career in manufacturing".

At the Design Council, we also work to improve education and training in design and seek to establish links between the education community and manufacturing industry to ensure that our colleges produce industrial and product designers and innovators who can meet the challenges that designing for world markets will set for British industry as the economies of the world emerge from this recession.

Yours sincerely. IVOR OWEN. Director General. The Design Council. 28 Haymarket.

## Change in law needed to help small firms

From A. G. Hebbron Sir, Mr Andrew McIntyre suggests (Pressures facing small businesses - November 17) that the government should adopt a more interven-

tionist approach. It is, indeed, only by legislation that the pressure by banks and the Crown on struggling businesses can be relieved bank managers and collectors of taxes are required to act within certain guidelines.

Legislation on the following lines should persuade banks and the Crown to support small businesses in their difficulties instead of putting in the 1. Any security held by a bank or other lender should not be enforced until all trade creditors have been paid in

2. The Crown should not be a preferential creditor for

Yours faithfully, A. G. HEBBRON. 29 Fairacres, Middlesex.

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## Foreign currency account could be conversion answer

BUSINESS LETTERS

### From Mr J. Hutchings Sir, I suggest that Mrs P. Van Rappard (Bank charges and

changing foreign currency cheques into sterling, November 20] should have the Cana-dian annuity paid into a Canadian dollar account in W. Also if she wants cash she can get sterling from any cash machine on the Visa system.

Bank ignores pleas

From Mr Frederick Covins

Sir, We, my wife and I, run a

small, but very successful,

business and we want our

bank to understand and ap-

preciate what we do, how our

income is generated, to see our

backlog of work in hand, our

order books, the amount of

money/work awaiting collec-

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day and the efforts we make to

increase that business, both in

knowledge and income. Sim-

On four separate occasions

over the last 12 months we

have invited our bank to see

for themselves and, hopefully,

to stop rubbishing us with

letters, at £15 a time, telling us

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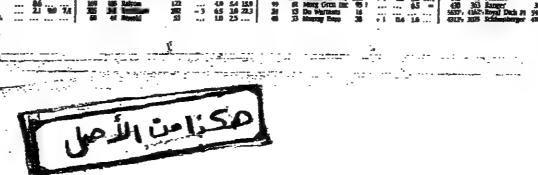
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How do you

make tenants

pay? Hugh **Thompson** looks

at new council

strategies

stimates two years ago showed that at the rate Southwark Council was clawing back the £35 million it was owed in back rent it would still be chasing the money in 400 years' time. Southwark is one of ten London boroughs that are collectively owed 37 per cent of the UK's £430 million council rent arrears.

However, Southwark, and other councils, are not sitting back. In the past two years Southwark has adopted an aggressive approach.

Mike Gibson, the chair of

the housing committee, says: "During the 1980s the counciliors were of the extreme left variety and took the view that arrears were a sign of hardship. All evictions went through a council committee and they usually took a sympa-thetic view. Decisions were sometimes made for emotional not professional reasons. It became known that while the gas, electricity and telephone bills had to be paid, Southwark was a soft touch. By 1989 one in ten tenants had stopped paying. On some estates the proportion reached nearly half."

The council's policy is now to walk loudly with a big stick. Tenants are leafleted, and written to, and there are posters throughout the borough. Local radio and press advertising is used. Where necessary, bailiffs are used and evictions are now going through at about 20 a week.

The message is getting through. Rent collection is now as high as 96 per cent and the target is even higher. A



The technique: "It is a question of commitment, pressure and getting on with people," Pauline Humphries says

has been set up and is pursuing those in arrears.

Mr Gibson says: "Those who make no effort to pay their arrears we deem as making themselves intentionally homeless. If they have children they go to a hostel. The way the housing budget is ring-fenced means we cannot afford not to collect rents."

At the present collection rate, the arrears will be wiped dean within ten years.

Surveys show that arrears are lower if property is in good condition and rents are collected door to door. However, because of the security problems, few councils now collect rents in this way. In the past ten years many of the best tenants with a clean rent book have had the right to buy.

The effect of the best tenants and the best property leaving the council house market was to make rent arrears more likely. The dismantling of the Greater London Council added to the housing problems of councils in the capital -overnight Southwark's hous-

One London council that has never had a rent arrears problem of any consequence is Wandsworth. The borough is run by an aggressive Conservative council, which has not only sold 40 per cent of the housing stock but for ten years has also made arrears a priority. This was achieved with the original step of moving rent arrears out of housing and into the finance department. Arrears in the borough are about £4 million.

housing depart-ment which has to handle repairs and neighbourhood disputes as well as rents, benefits and arrears, can find its priorities ebbing and flowing. Wandsworth's rent arrears section is headed by Pauline Humphries, the chief income officer. She says: "It is all a question of commitment, pressure and getting on with people. I notice that our arrears go up in the summer when more officers are on

"Maybe we have a reputation of being hard but fair but that is fine if it makes tenants think twice. Once you start to let it slide it is difficult to retrieve the situation. You cannot expect somebody on a low wage or unemployment benefit to pay six weeks' rent. The trick is to get to them before then. A large part of our job is debt counselling and helping tenants to claim their

One of the advantages of being on top of the problem is good morale in the team. "It all comes from the will of the members," Mrs Humphries says. "They have told us what they want done and left us to get on with it. Everybody in the team has a target."

However, the pressure is unrelenting. Half Wands-worth's 24,000 tenants are in

some arrears, mostly under three weeks, and the slightest slip-up could create the kind of black hole from which South-

wark is trying to escape. The expected help of the courts is not forthcoming. At a recent London Housing Unit seminar, entitled "Collecting the rent: new initiatives and good practice in rent arrears management", speakers from the hardest-hit boroughs of Lambeth, Hackney and Southwark complained that the county courts had made bizarre decisions as councils tried to evict tenants who

efused to pay. We must never forget there are families with real problems," Mrs Humphries adds, "not least those who are made redundant. They often hope to get a new job immediately, but because they do not sign on they lose benefit, and they get into arrears.

"We must keep educating our tenants about how to get through the benefits jungle."

# An object lesson in mismanagement

The royal institute that was supposed to show the way is about to slip quietly into the history books

The institute that was set it became obvious that the up to promote good management practice across the public sector is expected to slip quietly into quidation next month.

Little has been said about the apparent inability of the Royal Institute of Public Administration (RIPA) to manage its affairs and spearhead the debate about public man-

agement. There are sus-picions that its failure to capitalise on its position as the only non-aligned body to draw members from across the public sector is symptomatic of failures in public sector management generally. The administrative receivers have noted the irony of including topics such as managing services effectively and income generation in the institute's seminar pro-gramme. Michael Oldnam, of the accountance firm Smith & Williamson, claims the institute could not manage the trading activities neces

sary to stay afloat. Mr Oldham says: "The managers went about things in a way that was not entirely commercial and which probably reflected their own backgrounds in the pub-

Don McGregor, the former head of the institute's overseas training and consultancy division, agrees. Its passing was a "great sadness but no great surprise", he says. Despite repeated talk of revitalising its revenue base, the institute had been making losses for years. Crisis point was reached in April, when the bank lost

confidence and the institute was forced to raise cash by selling its overseas division, which accounted for 80 per cent of its £2.6 million turnover. A month later, as the 1991-2 accounts were closed, year's trading had been worse than expected and that even with sharply reduced liabilities the company was insolvent.

To me the irony is that there is a lot that is positive and dynamic going on in public sector management, yet I do not think the institute changed much since being set up in the 1920s," says Don.

Michael Clarke: a victim of events?

McGregor, who now heads RIPA International for its new

> This failure to move with the times showed in the institute's adherence to a structure that now looks antediluvian. The body was governed by "a small council of distinguished practitioners and experts in public administration, which met quarterly and vested powers in a finance and general purpose committee. The closure has left creditors £280,000 out of pocket. Topical themes such as accountability appear to have passed the institute by.

The nearest to an admission of mismanagement is a con-fession in the 1991 annual report that the institute had underprovided on its pensions liabilities by £200,000 and on overheads by £79,500. Investments in staff and equipment "might not have been undertaken if the true financial position had been accurately revealed last year, the chairman's statement admits.

Colin Farrington, the director of the Institute of Revenues, Rating and Valuation, says: "There were clearly some However, Michael Clarke, the chief executive of the

Local Government Management Board and chairman of the institute since December 1990, prefers to present the institute as a The Gulf war, for example, led to a cut in verseas subscribers for UK-based training This was compound-

ed by a failure to retain the interest of 850 remaining individual members from central and local government, the health service, execu-

ties, quangos and charities. The institute did not keep up sharply enough with changes in the public sector itself. Mr Clarke concedes - notably in maximising its income. However, the institute is unlikely to sink without trace. Many in the public sector remain con-vinced of the value of a national institution devoted to the good practice of public

Mr Farrington says: "Such exchanges of good practice are all the more necessary at a time when people at all levels within the public sector face managerial challenges that seem to pose a threat to the whole ethos of the public services in which they have been trained."

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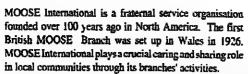
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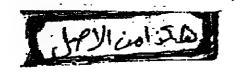
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# Orpheus calls, but Britain isn't listening

Such workshops are fun for the specialists. But if Purcell is really to

grip the nation in 1995, those same

as the musical world gone mad? We all agree that Henry Purcell was a great British composer. In fact in the 250 years between William Byrd laying down his pen and Edward Elgar taking up his, Purcell was the only musical genius this country produced. Admittedly, the British were preoccupied elsewhere at the time: conquering the world; inventing trains. Even so, it is a dismal record. So it is right that the 300th anniversary of Purcell's death should be marked by a dusting down of odes and anthems. But wait a minute. That anniversary does not fall until 1995, yet the Great and Good have already invented something called the Purcell Tercentenary Trust, and the party appears to have started.

Last weekend at the South Bank three concerts and a workshop set the jamboree in motion. Tied in with that, Radio 3 is featuring Purcell's incidental theatre music hundreds of splendid, unplayed turnes — this week. Next November will see a similar weekend based -around Roger Norrington conducting The Fairy Queen, and in November 1994 more of the same with John Eliot Gardiner conducting King Arthur. Finally, in the tercentenary year

itself, there will be a week of Purcell performances at the South Bank, hundreds of concerts around the country, a Westminster Abbey tribute on the anniversary (November 21), and commissions for 12 composers to write works for viol consort inspired by Purcell's own wild and wonderful fantasias. Compared with all that, last year's Mozart bicentenary blitz may begin to seem like the model of restraint. though there are no plans as yet to sell chocolate effigies of Purcell.

The odd thing is, it's all desper-ately needed — every last falserelation, scotch-snap and groundbass of it. Purcell's reputation is not so much high or low as bardly measurable at all. We know his

**MUSIC: Richard Morrison** joins the tercentenary party for Henry Purcell, even though it has begun three years early

genius; "Orpheus Britannicus" they called him, after his death. We appreciate that Handel's discovery of Purcell's music revolutionised his own choral writing. One had only to hear the sonorous finale to Hail! Bright Cecilia or the ebullient triple-time airs of the Dioclesian masque, both sprucely performed by the Orchestra and Choir of the Age of Enlightenment under Gus-tav Leonbardt last weekend, to recognise what impressed Handel. And we know that Purcell was at

the heart of cultural life during a remarkable era. In the age of Newton and 'Purcell's music Wren, he was virtually comcan sound as poser-in-residence to the four capricious as great meeting places of Restoa dinghy in a ration London: the church (as swirling wind' organist at West-

minster Abbey), the court, the theatre and the coffee houses, for which he wrote ingenious and utterly filthy part songs.

We know all this and yet if Purcell's whole output was swept off our planet, most music-lovers would hardly notice it had gone, apart from the "Bell" Anthem and Dido and Aeneas. Nor are they aware of his life-story. How could they be? During the Purcell weekend I slipped into the admirable Waterstone's bookshop at the Festival Hall. There I counted 28 books on Mozart, 18 on Beethoven, six on Berlioz, and tomes on every obscure pen-pusher from Alkan to Varese. On Purcell there was nothing. Not

specialists must now grit their teeth, turn populist, and put some flesh and blood on Purcell's somewhat shadowy historical presence. The parallels with Mozart are fascinar-ing. Both composers were child prodigies; both died in their midthirties, both were victims of court a very scientific piece of research, and theatre intrigues that saw lessperhaps, but it seemed symbolic. One obstacle to modern apprecigifted men given preference. And both wrote funeral music for poweration is the fact that Purcell worked ful patrons towards the end of their in media that we don't value highly lives (the Requiem by Mozart, the today. He wrote no operas apart from Dido, but semi-operas and Queen Mary Funeral Music by Purcell) that seemed to presage their own deaths. But whereas masques ornately staged allegories mixing spoken dialogue and music Neither fish nor fowl, they Mozart's life and death have been the stuff of a hundred speculative have largely been avoided by opera and drama companies ablee. And biographics, few scholars so far are making the connections between Purcel's life and his art. his superb verse anthems are usual-

Similarly, few performers seem yet to have worked out strong interpretative ideas about his ly too long for modern use. den Purcellian music. They know, of course, all treasures is what about period style: that was evident at the weekend. And such charac-terful soloists as Michael Chance these November weekends are sbout. Roger and David Wilson-Johnson did Savage's entertaining Saturcapture the wit of the songs. day afternoon workshop, for

instance, sought

to put Purcell's

theatre music

into its stage

context by juxta-

posing the performances of sopra-

no Catherine Bott and the spirited

Purcell Quartet with readings from

Congreve, Dryden and other con-

ing with quite such enthusiasm by

generations of teachers if its origins had been known? Purcell wrote it

for Shadwell's play, The Libertine, which was as cynical a catalogue of

murder and rape as was ever put

together in

about the performances which suggested that Purcell is not yet in the players' bones. That is under-standable. His music can be as capricious as a dinghy in a swirling wind: one moment smooth and ingratizing like a Vivaldi slow movement the next, spiky, unruly and dissonant. A love song may suddenly be spiced by a bizarre temporary playwrights. That revealed how easy it is to misunderstand Purcell. To take a droll example: would the song "Nymphs and Shepherds" have been endorsed for classroom singclash of inner parts; or a boisterous jig, anarchic and archaic, unexpect-edly smartened up into a susve chain of sweet consonances.

This protean unpredictability is what makes Purcell so absorbing and yet so hard for performers to pin down. But the more they perform him, the more his music will yield its secrets. Perhaps it is right to start the tercentenary party now. By 1995, we may just have restored Purcell to his proper place: at the centre of British musical life.



The "Orpheus Britannicus" at the height of his fame: a 1695 portrait of Henry Purcell (painted by John Closterman or one of his school), which hangs in the National Portrait Gallery

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an ice-cream dynasty, who is desperately trying to reach his native Glasgow by car.
"A lot of British directors are

making films to entertain or inform," the 29-year-old Schwartz says, adding with commendable frankness: "I'm a shallow director, hoping to

entertain." The award, spon-sored by the makers of Gold Bier, gives £10,000 towards the film's advertising and licity costs when it enters distribution, which will be sometime next year.

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world of the almost-somebod-

Stephen Pettitt at Huddersfield's Contemporary Music Festival

# Soaked in the avant-garde

wo days and four con-certs and already I am overwhelmed by the sheer variety on offer at this year's Huddersfield Contemporary Music Festival. The intelligent planning, combin-ing the established with the experimental and emergent, and there is now a feeling abmad that the community has become rather proud of it. Judging from abundant banners around the grey, rained soaked town, it is certainly well aware of it. Every year several pillars support the structure of the programming, around which the festival is freely embellished, lanuis Xenakis was 70 earlier this year and his music had to be one of them, but room is also

found for Franco Donatoni, Klaus Huber, Barry Guy, John Tavener, and the late John Cage. The byword is careful selection. Or perhaps not for the English Northern Philharmonths concert on Friday in

the Town Hall, for which four violently disparate works had been selected. Xenakis's Krinoidi, receiving its British premiere, opened the evening with its thick, elements sounds. Its title apparently refers to a relatively innocuous sea-urchin, but the composer must have accidentally trodden on one, for if this music did indeed depict them, it was surely as monsters stirring from the deep; an overpowering melange of obsessive, crude patterns culminated in giant overlapping cascades. I liked it.

Yet the following work caused the emotions to stir more willingly. Not that the music for David Bedford's Stories from the Dreamtime consisted of very much more



Iannis Xenakis, 70 this year: a festival theme

than easy effects. But this piece had been expressly written for the festival's education programme, and involved deaf and hearing children working alongside each other in groups under the guidance of the ENP's percussionists.

The youngsters made a splendid sound, evoking frogs. storms and wind, dancing eels, magpies, even the stars in Bedford's adaptation of an aboriginal creation myth with discipline, complete commitment and immense enjoyment: if anything the hearing children seemed the more tenuous. Richard Stilgoe. complete with Neighbours accent, narrated vividly, Peter Liewellyn-Jones equally vividiy provided the signed version. And after that? John

Tavener's dramatic ritual The Repentant Thief (with Andrew Marriner as the fine clarinet soloist) and Mark-Anthony Turnage's Three Screaming Popes. There is no need to rehearse their fine qualities here; both were played excellently, as was the rest of the programme, under Elgar Howarda's direction.

The following day began with the Goldberg Ensemble, who offered string music which included more Xenakis (Aroura, 1971), some Huber Barry Guy's impressively spa-cious Flagwalk (1983), which collides the sonorous with the violently iragmented. There was also the winning work in the Yorkshire and Humberside Arts Young Composers' Award. The prize went to John Stringer. His Life in the Light First Image (the title comes from Beckett) had a pleasing shape and rhythmic definition, and that, despite an objective rather than evocative stance, gives him a firm basis for further development.

Later, Stephen Gutman gave a marvellous piano recitwhich ended with four rather Debussvian miniatures from Simon Holt's ongoing Book of Colours - two of them, the brilliant A Shapeless Flame and the resonant Some Distant Chimes, were receiving first performances and Poul Ruders's epic Second Sonata, which succeeds in the difficult task of advancing an obviously traditional four movement classical form. In company other than this, John Hopkins's Sonata (1991) would have sounded as fine an achievement as it is.

Later still, the Tokyo International Music Ensemble whisked us to the Far East with, praise be, Japanese music that does not pander to Western traditions. After a traditional dance, Ryo-o, there was Takemitsu's indeterminate and delicate Seasons (1970) for shakuhachi, biwa and two percussionists, all of whom speak and perform movements. Maki Ishii's Hiten Seido (1981), however,





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Harris; director, James Foley.
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the arm rememb the earner to take small-scale opera productions to places that might otherwise suffer opera-deprivation. This season's repentione consists of Verdi's last great opera. Falsaff, performed in Amanda Holden's effective English translation, in a new production by Tim Hopkins; and a revisal of Stephen Medicalif's Don Gloverna production.

GLASGOW: The Black Crowse, the blues-based rock and rollers who have been compared to the early Rolling Siones, go on a countrywide lour. Berrowlands, Gallowgate (031-557 Barrowiance, 6969), 7.30pm.

HARROGATE: Vincent Franklin plays Figure again, this time in The Barber Of South, combining the Beaumarchas pray wan Hossari music Harrogate Theatire, Oxford Street (0423 502116) Tonight-Set, 7 45pm, mats Sat, 2 30pm, Until Dec 5.

LIVERPOOL: Midway through its autumn jour, Weigh National Opens ofters a revival of Giles Havergal's The Barber of Seville (Thurs); David Aiden's admired new production of the Strauss opera Seidra, conducted by the talente Carlo Rizzi and with Janet Hardy in the title role (Wed, Sat), and Pucchi's Tosci also conducted by Rizzi and with the American soprano Marion Vernette Moore in the leading role (tonight, Fri) Emptre, Lime Street (051-709 1555).

(071-730 1745), Mon-Sec, Sprs. met. Sat, 4pm. 150mms. THEATRE GUIDE

TRAVELS WITH MY AUNT: Smon Cadel, John Wels, Richard Karre, Christopher Gee play all 20 parts, male and female, in Gisel Havergal's marvellous adaptation of Graham House full, returns only Some nests synthetic Wyndham's, Channy Cross Road, W22 (071-867 1116) Mon-Fn, Spr., Sat, 8.15pm, mals Wed, 3pm, Sat, 5pm., 1-0mins.

TODAY'S EVENTS

A daily guide to arts and entertalament compiled by Karl Knight

premieres: Matorcade (set to Santi-Saens: Septet) by the popular American choreographer Mark Morris, and Rooster, for which Christopher Bruce turned to the music of the Rolling res: *Matorcade* (set to Sami-

Stones. Presented on a mored bill with Arme Zane's Freedom of Information Sadier's Wells, Rossbery Avenue.

London EC1 (071-278 8916). Tonight-Sot, 7.30pm, mat Thurs, 2.30pm.

Barbican, Firm Paarro Bergland conducts the English Chamber Orchestra in Salinen's Chamber Music

BATH: Opera 80 has changed its name to English Touring Opera, but

OUR SONG: Peter O'Toole in Keth

Waterhouse's play about a menopausa male's infatuation with a young woman Neatly done though we only hear the

man's post of view Apolio, Shaltesbury Avenue, W1 (071-

494 5070). Mon-Fr. 8 15pm. Sal, 8pm

☐ RADIO TIMES: Tony Stationy in a fun trip down Memory Lane, set in

DISORDERS OF SEPARATIONS Stockard Channing as the rich New Yorker transfigured by a black con artist in John Guare's line play on human

nter-dependence Comedy, Parion Sireet, SW1 (071-867 1045). Mon-Sat, Apm, mats Wed, Spm.

SQUARE ROUNDS: Science, good

or exi? Tony Harrison looks at four farmous munition-makers. Largely farmale cast, good acting but off-putingly earnest. National (Officier), South Bank, SE1 (071-928 2252), Tonight-Thurs, 7 15pm, mat Thurs, 2pm 186mars.

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WENTORID TRILOGY: Billy Roche's affectionate, said, commo Wentord Thiogy (separate plays, connected in mood). A Handful of Sais killing time in a pool hall leads to doing time in gao! Busin, Shepherds Busin Green, W12 (081-743 3388) Tornght, 8pm.

WHICH WITCH: Norwegen opera-musical on the murky doings in Renarce Europe. Not tavoured by

warume Broadcasting House, bursting with sprightly Noel Gay numbers. Queen's, Shaltesbury Avenue, W1 (071-194-60-00). Mon-Fr. 7.30pm, Sat, 8pm, mais Thurs, 2.30pm, Sat, 4.30pm. 150mms. Sat, 2 30pm. 165mms. LONG BURNIERS: A files ETHE RISS AND FALL OF LITTLE VOICE: Akson Steadmen and Jane Horocks in Jim Centwight's play about a sky girl escaping her raucous mother lagenous but incredible.

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Not much upstairs at this house

ROCK: David Sinclair is disappointed by a band that fails to grasp its opportunities

 House of Love Albert Hall

SOME bands. like some people, are afraid of success. They develop an instinct for avoiding it. Take House Of Love. Hailed as the new messiahs of rock on the strength of a string of outstanding singles and a debut album released on an indie label in 1988, the London group's transition to the major league has produced many more wonderful songs. But their progress has also been dogged by debilitating personnel changes, scrapped recording sessions and cancelled shows, and instead of the effortless rise to the top which was predicted, they seem to have hit a ceiling somewhere in the second tier of British bands.

In true House Of Love tradition, this show was originally scheduled for September, but had to be postponed due to some organisational hitch or other. It was then suggested that the band might play two sets, but that did not happen either. Still, as a gesture of goodwill for putting up with the latest round of confusion, all ticket holders were given a free 12-inch single -"Crush Me" - on entering the

The band opened proceedings in a typically low-key fashion with "Beatles and the Stones", singer Guy Chadwick's wistful homage to the groups that were his playground heroes. Bathed in spotlight beams of blue, his willowy figure looked as if it would not last long in a high wind. His delivery was terse and unemotional, his generic English rock singer's voice tinged with a faint air of distraction. The other three musicians - bass, drums, guitar - were even less charismatic, mere shadowy presences on a bare stage which was either awash



Guy Chadwick: the House of Love singer's "figure looked as if it would not last long in a high wind"

with gloomy pools of darkness or eise lit from behind with violent incandescence by a visual cacophony of floodlights and strobes burning straight into the retinas of the audience.

They played well. New songs ("You Don't Understand", "Feel",) like the old favourites ("Shine On", "Christine",) were invariably underpinned by

defily interwoven guitar arpeggios and shaped around fine, memorable choruses. But for all the beauty of the tunes, the craft of the arrangements, the wit of the lyrics and the cool skill of the presentation there was a fey quality to the performance which undermined the ambitions of the group. To put it crudely, House Of Love lack

the gumption of the Sixties bands whose virtues they seek to emulate. The Beatles and the Stones not only wrote and played great songs, they had bottle. Unless House of Love make an effort to grab what's going, they will remain, for all their talent and promise, among the ranks of the nearly men

CONCERT: Noel Goodwin admires a dazzling and daring display of virtuosity from a veteran pianist

Breezy airs of Stockholm

Bellman's Opera

The Pit



Shura Cherkassky: a survivor from a golden age of pianism

CARL MICHAEL BELLMAN (1740-

1795) is a national hero in his native

Sweden: a poet, composer and song-

writer who flourished under the enlightened despotism of that King Gustav known to opera lovers, thanks

to Verdi's Un ballo in maschera, as the

murder victim at a masked ball in

In the programme to this compile-

tion, the director Clifford Williams

compares Bellman to Villon, Pope and

Rabelais. But as a social and cultural

phenomenon, a more immediate point

of reference might be another unwilling customs officer turned poet, Bell-

man's younger contemporary Robert

Burns. As poet and man, Bellman

combined lyrical delicacy with a robust

Though some of his music is in the

taste for bawdy low life.

Mercurial master can still surprise Then in Chopin's F sharp minor

EIGHTY-ONE last month, Shura Cherkassky is a survivor from a golden age of pianism which he still projects with the skill and daring of somebody half his age. Not many other pianists today would venture forth with a Tausig arrangement of Bach, as he did for his Sunday performance in the South Bank's International Piano Series, much less Liszt's transcription of operatic Wagner in the Tannhauser overture.

This ended the announced programme in virtuoso splendour, after which he turned with unabated vigour to the first of several encores. Cherkassky has never been a predictrevealing insight into it.

music from other sources (notably

Handel, Scarlatti and French operal,

in the manner of English ballad opera

- indeed, this entertainment, staged by Nightingale Music Theatre in association with the Royal Shake-

speare Company, boasts at least one

tune that is remarkably like a song

from The Beggar's Opera.

The show might be titled "Walting

record catalogues,

his particular gift

was to march his

own words with

Shura Cherkassky Festival Hall

sturdy vigour to remind us of the urgency with which the pieces were written, as well as the immediacy of feeling expressed in them. The lightfingered detail was at times unexpectedly turned into a deeper sonority by his manner of pedalling, adding weight and substance to the poetic diversity of the musical character.

To watch Cherkassky's stiffly curved fingers rippling across the keyboard, or pounding into it at moments of stress, audience can depend on him for the occasional surprise liberty taken with the music, which may yet offer a piano's percussive mechanism need be revealing insight into it.

On this occasion it happened first in Schumann's Kreisleriana, where delicate keyboard fancy combined with Bach's D minor Toccata and Fugue.

the Lynx tavem in

Stockholm: the

songs are connected by a minimum of

dialogue, anecdores and philo-sophising. The mood is wistful, one of

regret for the transience of pleasure;

and the second half is no more than a

melancholy dying fall before the inevitable news — since the programme sets the action in 1795 — of the poet's

Bellman wrote about a group of

Polonaise the somewhat rigid rhythm: that underlay the main part of the piece: was softened in a romantic waywardness in the unexpected mazurica. The: same composer's Variations on a: Theme from Mount's Don Giovann. was a marvellous expression of poetic. character, as well as of technical skill.

Cherkassky also played three shorpieces by Luciano Berio linked by their; titles but not their content. The gently flowing Wasserklavier explored harmonic implications, followed by Erdenklavier planting forceful harmonic roots to resonate under a single melodic line, and the more recent er of 1989 developing an idea with flickering intensity to some thing approaching incandescence before being quietly smuffed out. The planist toyed with them to purposeful and charming effect, a reminder that versatility is a continuing aspect of his mercurial mastery.

MUSIC THEATRE: A charming concert in costume friends, some under their real names. some, like the prostitute "Ulla Vineleaf", lightly disguised. They me to drink, whore and discuss society::

> The cast of six includes such name known from the early music scene a Lucie Skeaping and Martin Best, who adapted the material with the director for Bellman". It charts an evening at The musical source is a 1790 edition of songs, the instruments are authentic versions or reproductions of what one would have heard in late 18th century Sweden. The one straight actor, Nicho las Lumley, reveals a stylish tenor

> > Ultimately a concert in costume, the show makes up for musical freshness and charm what it lacks in drama.

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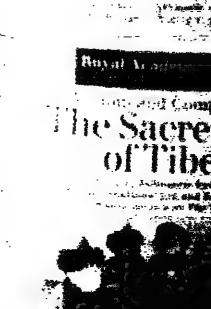
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lessye Norman, America has produced more than its share of operatic divas. Any of these who defied popular preconceptions of the prima donna fat, Italian) were inevitably woodd by Hollywood; some succumbed.

Farrar went there in 1915 and Mary Garden followed two years later, but this was before sound films, and a silent Carmen or Thais left something (not least the music) to be desired. Louise Stein, however, has devised a short season (from today until December 6) at the National Film Theatre to show off the gifts of three divas who briefly soared to movie stardom in the Thirties and Forties. Grace Moore was the most

celebrated — not least for her tantrums on set. Born in Tennessee in 1905, she first played in operetdebut in La Bohème in 1928. In her most successful film. One Night of Love (1934), she exposed cinemagoers to such operatic highlights as "La Habanera", "Un bel di" and "Sempre libera". The sensation, though, was Moore's "Ciri-Biri-Bin" which sold in hundreds of thousands.

King Steps Out (1936), a jolly Hapsburg operetta with music by Fritz Kreisler. Director Josef von Sternberg made Moore do take after take of a scene which required

David Robinson previews a season of Thirties and Forties films

same time. To her fury he cut the scene from the finished film.

by opera divas

Opera purists tended to view these Hollywood defectors as fallen women. When Grace Moore came to London in 1935 to sing La Bohème, Covent Garden was attacked for abandoning all standards. The Times, to its credit, defended Moore, with a leading article "Opera and Film":

"Covent Garden does the fair thing in giving Miss Moore the chance of proving that she is not a film star elevated into grand opera, but an opera singer who has adventured with triumph into the films. The position is new and rather amusing. Two forms of art not usually very matey are found doing each other a good turn, the cinema gening the uplift and grand opera the publicity..."

The diminutive, French-born coloratura Lily Pons can be seen in That Girl From Paris (1936) and Hitting a New High (1937). Pons died in 1976; Moore was killed in

Rise Stevens, the third of the NFT divas, is happily still living and was recently a managing director of the Metropolitan Opera House in New York. The daughter of an alcoholic Norwegian travel-ling salesman, she owed her musical education to the determination of her mother and the faith of a battle-axe Juilliard teacher, Anna Scoen-Rene. She began her professional career in Prague, but in 1938 was put under contract by the Met, where her great roles included Carmen, Cherubino and Octavian in Der Rosenkavalier.

Oddly, it may have been her performance in Going My Way (1944) that first stirred the Met. This two-hanky, six-Oscar weepie. with Bing Crosby as a melodious Catholic priest, also gives us Stevens's dark mezzo in Schubert's "Ave Maria" backed by Father

The NFT is also showing Survens in the 1944 film The Chocolate Soldier, a bizarre concoction. MGM secured the rights to the music but not to the book (after Shaw's Arms and the Man), so grafted Oskar Straus onto Molnar's play The Guardsman, throwing in such incidental delights as Stevens's famously seductive "Mon coeur s'ouvre a ta voix" from Samson and Delilah.

● One Night of Love opens the National Film Theatre (071-928-3232) season tonight at 8.30pm.



Risē Stevens: Going My Way, "a two-hankie, six-Oscar weepie" showing at National Film Theatre 2, December 3 at 8,30pm

GALLERIES: Angelica Kauffman was a great decorator, but was she a good painter? John Russell Taylor is unconvinced

# Designed to succeed in a man's world

octor Johnson had some uncharitable things to say about women preachers. If he ever expressed himself with equal trenchancy on women painters, his words would seem not to have been passed on to us, or at any rate not to the devisers of Angelica. Kauffman: A Continental Artist in Georgian England, an ambitious commemorative show now at Museum and Art

Which is probably just as well. It is difficult to imagine that Johnson can have thought very highly of the lady, though his friend Sir Joshua Reynolds is said once to have proposed marriage to her, and was certainly admiring enough to take her as one of the founding members of the Royal Academy: a remarkable honour, considering that, along with her contemporary Mary Moser, she was the only woman permitted to become an RA until 1922

At the very least, Angelica Kaulfman was a phenomenon. Whether she was also a very good painter is not so easy to decide. During her years in England (1766-81) she was taken seriously as a painter of classical and allegorical subjects, but now, seen in reasonable bulk, she seems. while perfectly competent, to be rather dull, given to repeating poses and expressions as though con-stantly referring to a slim mental

Possibly she spread her talents



too thin. She was something of a juvenile prodigy, with more or less equal gifts in music and the visual arts: in one of her more memorable works she depicts herself torn between the demands of two equally agitated allegorical females urg-ing the rival claims of music and

trained by her father, a moderately successful provincial painter. By her early teens she was receiving portrait commissions of her own. She was evidently pretty and charming, and had various other essentially non-artistic advantages

She came of a Swiss family, born to attract attention when she settled in 1741 in Bregenz, and was in London at the age of 25. Just previously, in Italy, she had had little success with Italian patrons. but successfully painted a variety of prominent Englishmen on the Grand Tour, and became acquainted with such visiting painters as Benjamin West and Nathaniel

good stead in England. Whether there was any truth in the gossip about her and Reynolds, his admiration for her work was clearly genuine, and she in her turn set out to produce exactly the kinds of allegoricised portrait and grand classical history painting that he

But now that the style of painting Reynolds advocated is reduced to a primarily historical interest, why should Kauffman still be a familiar name? Partly, of course, because she was a successful woman in a man's world. Certainly not because of her skills as a "serious" painter, and though the Brighton show makes a valiant attempt to revive interest in that aspect of her work, it will meet with some resistance.

Much the most absorbing part of the exhibition is that devoted to Kauffman's decorative work, and the extraordinarily wide disseminanon of her images injough repro ductive prints and their use on fabrics. ceramics and such. The insight offered into the business side of artistic success in the 18th century is fascinating. One way and another, Kauffman influenced the whole of neo-classical decorative art in 18th-century Britain, and there are many worse reasons to be

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# Sex, love and the power of the Pope

programme of their four-part series, Catholies and Sex (Channel 4, last night), is that many Roman Catholics have hang-ups about their sexuality. What, they wish to know, is the Church proposing to do about it?

There is more than one good inswer to the question. The Roman Catholic Church, unlike the Church of England to which Kate Saunders apparently belongs, is

not declining in numbers, and it is 'The Church's not clear why it should abolish tried and tested teaching on doctrines merely sex has actually because people adie wilh ihem. cost it dearly The conversion of Saunders and in lost converts' those who think like her might well be a great

false witness to God's truth.

More seriously, "hang-up" is often just another word for scruple. and the kind of sexual morality in which anything goes is not an unmixed blessing either for society or the individual. The Church has never felt obliged to follow the spirit of the time: its rejection of contraception, abortion, euthanasia, its enthusiasm for procreation and chastity are all of a piece. Catholic sexual morality must, as one priest put it, be "open to life". "We are not here to use one another." he declared. Hang-ups are a good thing if they force you to think about the consequences of your actions for other people, including

prize, but not at the price of bearing

Stanford and Saunders started from the assumption that in any conflict between Catholic orthodoxy and the conventions of their own thirty-something, middleclass, white, left-of-centre, feminist contemporaries, orthodoxy should

The message which Kate be on the defensive. Thus the Saunders and Peter Stan-celibacy of priests (other celibates celibacy of priests (other celibates went unmentioned) was seen as a quaint custom without scriptural foundation, distancing clergy from laity (assumed to be a bad thing).

As if to emphasise this, they contrasted their balanced and occasionally illuminating interviews of laymen, priests and seminarians with a one-sided and consistently unilluminating studio debate. A famous Sister Lavinia Byrne, was

> caster Frank Delaney dis-played his gift of the gab to some crowned his stricsight that, "with

the very greatest respect" (a nod in the episcopal direction), the sacrament of confes-sion and Catholic doctrine on sex had together given the Church unprecedented power over the most intimate details of people's lives - 2 power, he added, to which nobody was entitled. Sister Lavinia, too. thought it was all about "power structures" and, worse still, the

rules had all been written by men. Saunders echoed Delaney's point about the Church exercising power through controlling sexuality in her summing up, as though it were a self-evident fact. Yet the Church's teaching on sex has actually cost it dearly in lapsed adherents and lost potential converts. The imposition of celibacy on priests under Pope Gregory VII in the 11th century provoked violent and lasting hostility towards the papacy. Today Catholicism is again embattled. It will evolve, accommodate, procrastinate; but Saunders and Stanford did not persuade me that it will

ROCK: Clive Davis on the colourful life of concert promoter Bill Graham

# First, you create a good vibe

Bill Graham, doyen of rock promoters, was killed in a helicopter crash in Califor-American side of the transatiantic nia last year. More than a year after his death, the man who was once described as "a blustering King Kong with a telephone line for an umbilical cord" is still making his presence felt. A 560-page biogra-phy, just published by Doubleday in America, contains as many intriguing anecdotes as a year's supply of "kiss 'n' tell" memoirs. Graham, often credited as the inventor of the modern rock con-

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Live Aid concert in 1985. With its stories of behind-the-scenes deals and ego-trips, Robert Greenfield's book Bill Graham Presents amounts to an alternative history of the rock counterculture.

An oral biography woven from interviews with Graham, his friends and one or two enemies, it captures the anything-goes atmosphere of the music industry: he once shoved hundred-dollar bills under a dressing room door to persuade Crosby, Stills, Nash and Young to play an extra encore.

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A bleak chapter is devoted to the atmosphere of drug-fuelled violence during Led Zeppelin's visit to Oakland in 1977, at which one of Graham's aides was beaten by members of the band's entourage. Almost as depressing are the sec-tions on two key Sixties "happen-ings". Woodstock and the Rolling Stones concert at Altamont - at which Hells Angels, supposedly in

charge of security, ran arnok. Graham had only a peripheral involvement in both events. He and the rest of the contributors agree that Woodstock, far from being a glorious celebration of peace and love, was actually a fiasco, with abysmal sound and co-ordination. The myth was created, they say, by the subsequent album and documentary film.

Grace Slick, lead singer with Jefferson Airplane, is her usual acerbic self: "Woodstock was a bunch of stupid slobs in the mud and Altamont was a bunch of angry slobs in the mud. It was all just slobs in the mud."

raham, who was born into

a Jewish family in pre-war Berlin, emerges as a mixwith an occasionally selective memory and a fearsome temper. What set him apart, according to Greenfield, was his commitment to the ordinary concert-goer. He did much to raise the standards of concert presentation, insisting on high quality sound and lighting and the creation of a congenial atmosphere. His Fillmore West (San Francisco) and Fillmore East (New York) staged some of the most memorable concerts of the Sixties. Graham closed the Fillmores in 1971 after claiming that rock had shed its idealism and become overcommercialised. Woodstock, he



Mick Jagger embraces the late Bill Graham, backstage at an open-air festival promoted by the San Francisco entrepreneur

One of the many paradoxes of his career is that he subsequently had a hand in creating the stadium circuit, which has done so much to turn live music into an homogenised commodity.

Still, a tale in the last chapter suggests that he still had his heart in the right place, give or take a few inches. In 1989, after failing to win the contract for the Rolling Stones' tour of America, he staged the group's concert in Oakland. Watching the band in other cities. Graham saw that as soon as Jagger and Co took to the stage, the audience leapt onto their chairs,

Many people had their view

blocked. At Oakland Graham circulated handbills to the audience, asking them to stay seated. The ushers were given T-shins with a similar message, and Graham moved along the aisles asking people to sit down. The total cost was \$6.200: the Stones were being paid \$18 million for the tour.

As there were another 32 cities still to go on the tour, one of Graham's staff asked the band's business manager if he would now print handbills for the remainder of the concerts. Came the reply:



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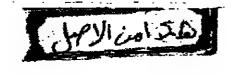
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# The pain of judgment

Alexander McCall Smith assesses the significance This has been a dra-matic year for lifeand-death issues. of recent cases concerning life-and-death issues The court decision to

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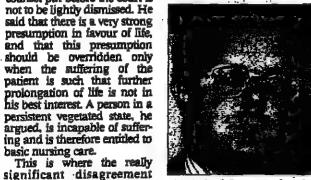
If this artificial feeding is of Dr Nigel Cox for attempted murder and last week's judgment on the persistent vegetaregarded as medical treattive state have all focused the ment, then its appropriatelegal spotlight on some of ness, or otherwise, is reduced the most harrowing areas of to a question of whether it is legitimate to withhold medical medical law. Has anything changed as a treatment from people whose result of this flurry of judicial prospects are as poor as his.

activity? Probably not a great The answer, of course, is that it is quite acceptable, legally and morally, to withdeal, although the last of these decisions, the Tony Bland case, has helped to clarify what hold treatment from those for was until last week a somewhom the treatment would be what murky area of the law. unproductive. One does not have to give antibiotics to a patient whose future quality of life is extremely low and whose Doctors treating Mr Bland will have to wait several weeks until they can take steps that will lead to their patient's death. David Venables, the expectancy is strictly

Official Solicitor, has acknowl-Nor need doctors operate in such a case, the view being that edged the stress entailed in bringing an appeal and therethere may come a time at by prolonging the issue, but which the appropriate re-sponse is to stand back and let feels, quite understandably, that this is a matter of connature takes its course rather siderable public importance than to struggle heroically to that must be tested in a higher

keep somebody alive.

If artificial feeding is described as medical treatment, then both the ethical and the legal issues largely fall away. If, however, it is seen as no more than the provision of



Dr Nigel Cox convicted of attempted murder

the basic care to which every-body is entitled, even those who are at the very end of a painful and distressing illness, then its withholding becomes very rouch more dubious.

Will it be possible to withhold basic care from those whose lives we feel have become a burden to them and to In his pleadings, the Official Solicitor asked whether we

were not in danger here of stepping on to a very slippery slope. This probably meant that he saw the permitting of the withholding of treatment in such cases as the start of a process by which we distingish between those lives that are worth the minimum care (nursing and feeding) and those that we deem should not get even that

The judge's response to this was to emphasise again and again that in his judgment the persistent vegetative state was special, that in such cases the part of the brain that controls cognition was simply no longer operating. As he said at one point in his

decision, there is in this case no evidence of a "working mind"; to the parents and the is dead. "His spirit has left him and all that remains is the shell of his body." In such a case, why should

there be a continued effort to keep alive what has become a breathing cadaver? Most people would probably see no point at all, and would share the judge's view that in such a case, that which makes a person human has been irre-

The Bland judgment is nothing to do with active

real meaning. They might, though, be tempted to point to the evidence given in this case that bodily death, when artificial feeding is withdrawn, will euthanasia and adds nothing come only after ten days or to the clear message of the Cox more of, admittedly sedated, case that the deliberate taking starvation. They might ask why it is necessary to go of life will amount to homicide. There is nothing novel in through that, and suggest that the withholding of medical the administration of a lethal treatment where it does no injection would be not only good — this goes on all the morally more courageous but less of an insult to the dignity time in the discontinuance of the treatment of badly handi-capped infants and in the

The decision in the Cox case has underlined the legal unacceptability of that, and until Parliament changes the criminal law - which is highly unlikely - all the courts can do is to ease the passing, in the way in which they propose to do in the tragic case of Mr

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# A mix of members would help justice

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LMAGINE a society in which people from totally different disciplines come together to learn about each others' problems. The only thing these magistrates, lawyers, doctors, probation officers, social and voluntary workers have in common is that they are all engaged in a form of decision-making concerning children and families.

The British Juvenile and Family Courts Society does not distinguish among these professionals and has no axe to grind other than its concern with justice and the family. This multi-disciplinary society covers the three jurisdictions of the UK: England and

Wales, Scotland and Northern Ireland. Through its conferences, research and newsletters, the society draws together the different aspects of the justice system as it operates in three very different jurisdic-tions. "We are really a federation in terms of our legal systems," says Dilly

ety, which was formed after the International Association of Juvenile and Family Court Magistrates' conference in 1974. Magistrates still comprise most of the membership. From its first international meeting, the society has retained the interest of those at the top of the justice system, as well as those of us

Gask, co-founder of the soci-

who work at the "coal face". Sheriff Brian Kearney, from Scotland, is the only judge member, but Sir Stephen Brown, the president of the Family Division, is a trustee. Ordinary members derive benefit from belonging to the

society. Some, such as Dr A.H. Manchester, senior law lecturer at Birmingham University, finds the chance to keep in touch with the grass roots invaluable, K.M. England, a development officer with Cleveland social services, is impressed by the society's academic standards. As she put it: "It gives social workers a chance to present themselves as the professional

Like most of the people I talked to, I value the society for its breadth of vision and the depth it brings to discussion about the family and its problems. The society's seminar in London on Friday, The Challenge of Urgency: Child Protection - A UK Perspective, should be no exception. Lord Justice Balcombe will speak on changes between the old law and the new Children Act. He will probably look at the wide, issues in relation to family proceedir igs courts. He has suggested that complex family cases concerning children should be heard not by a judge alone, but by a legally qualified person sitting as chairman and flanked by two lay people.

Having sat as a part-time chairman of an employment appeals tribunal between 1983 and 1985, he says: "It is difficult to make decisions on child care or family cases about children solely on one's own. In most cases concerning children, the legal principle is clear: the welfare of the child is the first and

paramount consideration. "Cases that could easily go either way are better heard by a tribunal. When those cases are heard by a judge sitting alone, the losing party might well take the view that anothe r judge would have come to a differe at the condition. conclusion. A court comprising th ree members, and in particular one whose ir sem-

bers are not all of the same sex, is more likely to instil confidence in the parties that their decision is not loased on established attitudes... As magistrates specially trained in family proceedings, we have been enjoined to send difficult cases upwards."

Now Sir John seems to be saying that the higher couris would benefit from lay members who need not even be magistrates. The difficulty of finding volunteers, to sit on lengthy cases could be solved by recruiting them from the ranks of the retired. "People in their sixties, if they are fortunate to have grandchildren with whom they are in regular Contact, are probably as well

qualified as any to serve as members of courts dealing with child cases," he says. He also believes magistrates' courts therriselves need a trained lawyer on the Bench. "The clerk is the lawyer and is not a member of the court, merely a legal adviser. Where the court is an all-lay one, the reasons for the decisions are all too often inadequately expressed. Delivering the judgment, whether extempore or in writing, is a function for which legal training is inval uable. The new duties of writing down fact a and giving reasons in family cases are more easily and effectively done by those Vith at least seven years' legal experience."

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# Wigs win the vote

All along, he has done exactly what his office requires

of him: to speak for one who is

not in a position to speak for

himself. The argument his

counsel put before the court is

not to be lightly dismissed. He

said that there is a very strong

presumption in favour of life,

and that this presumption

should be overridden only

when the suffering of the

This is where the really

arose. Mr Bland is being kept

alive by the provision of naso-

basic nursing care.

CRIMINAL barristers have delivered their verdict on wigs: they want to keep them. A Criminal Bar Association survey found 72 per cent of the 580 members who replied favoured keeping the existing regalia for Crown Court cases. Half the rest wanted to discard only their wigs but to keep their gowns. About one in eight wanted

ordinary clothes to be worn. Barristers of both sexes agreed that robes ensured they were treated with more respect, and clients respond-"more constructively", they also said.

"The uniform provides a level playing field for the more junior Bar." was another view. Others warned of the dangers of the "lounge-suit approach" and of "sartorial competitiveness or Armani advocacy". Would a jury, they pondered, be wooed with

Legal cover

PROVIDING upmarket security for solicitors' firms has paid off for Simon Cooney, a solicitor. His company, First Security, has been shortlisted for the 1992 Business Enter-

prise Award. The company, set up five years ago, is the largest privately owned guarding company in the UK. Law firm clients include Theodore Goddard, McKenna & Co and

Titmuss Sainer & Webb. Mr Cooney says: "Our niche is providing quality security staff to the prestige office market. The old image of a security officer is a bruiser. We provide security officers who can also act as

receptionists." Backlog THE Commercial Court is in

danger of grinding to a halt. "When we want to make ourselves weep," says David Bird, clerk to the Commercial Court, "we read the recent House of Lords debate on the crisis in the Commercial Court." Sadly, the position has worsened since Stephen Carter, of Charles Russell, said the courts were not as clogged up as they once were.

Now, with only one judge available to hear a list established by Mr Bird for a cast of six, the court cannot keep pace with its backlog. "They do not seem to think there is a problem," Mr Bird says. In a mushell, when the

Lord Chancellor's department recently elevated Mr Justice Evans and Mr Justice Hirst to the Court of Appeal, it neglected to replace them. As a result, with four judges being tied up in long cases and one retired, the stalwart Mr Justice Saville is the only

judge available to hear the A clerk in a major commercial set of chambers says: "I cannot remember when one of our commercial cases came on when listed. We have only managed to get some cases on by floating them in the list." He adds: "In these hard

times, it would be nice to get

some cases on so that we can earn some money." The Lord Chancellor's department refuses to comment on the reasons for the delays. but says that it will soon

announce at least two new

appointments. Law of loans

AMID the concern over paucity of student funding Not-tingham Law School is to introduce the country's first student loan scheme specially devised for trainee lawyers. The school, part of Notting-ham Trent University, has

ioined forces with the Royal Bank of Scotland to offer a loan package to students enrolling in the new legal practice course from Sep-



The scheme will provide loans of up to £10,000, which students can repay over five to seven years after qualifica-

withholding of treatment from

very aged patients with few

prospects of a reasonable qual-

beyond doubt the category

that artificial feeding comes into, and thus it will enable

doctors to allow many patients

who have already suffered in "cognitive death" to die a

swifter and more dignified

It will be important, though that relatives are fully involved.

in decisions of this nature, and

that if they believe such a

patient still to be "present", this intuition should be taken

Yet it is not clear what would

happen if relatives wanted

artificial feeding and highly

expensive nursing treatment

to be continued in the face of a

hopeless medical prognosis.

Relatives cannot dictate medi-

cal treatment so their wishes

should ultimately be overriden

by what is seen as being in the

Proponents of euthanasia

will find comfort in the Bland

decision in that they will no

doubt see it as an endorsement

of their view that there should

be clear limits to medical

efforts where life has lost all

the patient's best interests.

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achieve, how-

ever, is to put

Nigel Savage, professor and head of the law school, said the package was "to meet the specific needs of people entering the legal profession". It should prove a lifeline, he added, for students with financial problems as they work towards their finals.

In 1991, the school was the first institution in the country to gain Law Society approval to run the new course for 500 students

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take a dim view of this approach. While it would prefer to allow unemployed lawyers to attend free of charge, as a non-profit-making charity without any subsidy or funding, "we have to meet our expenses", Jenny Treleaven, the director of continuing education, says. Law firms that pay the full £200 to send staff on the course will, in effect, subsidise

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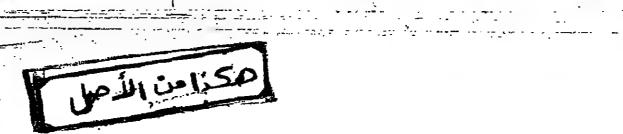
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Two new ventures reveal the increasing involvement of lawyers in television production, both campaigning and educational

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new television production company miscarriages of justice has stolen a march on its rivals by winning the blessing and support of a team of leading campaigners for justice and law reform. Just Television, headed by David Jessel, former presenter of the BBC's Rough Justice series, has formed an advisory group including Ludovic Kennedy, the author, Michael Mansfield QC; Anthony Scrivener QC. the former Bar chairman: Judge Stephen Turnim, the chief inspector of prisons; and Sir David Steel MP.

Just Television has a con-tract with Channel 4 to produce up to six programmes investigating miscarriages of justice in the next two years. Mr Jessel says the group will "advise, guide, suggest and inspire" the makers of the series which is, provisionally entitled Trial and Error.

The fact that a television company working in this area has attracted such leading legal and political figures is a sign of a softening of attitudes within the legal establishment to such programmes, which have previously been viewed with suspicion and hostility.

The degree of mistrust was revealed in the early 1980s when complaints from Lord Lane, then the Lord Chief Justice, about a programme on Anthony Mycock, a man convicted of aggravated bur-glary, resulted in the original producer of Rough Justice and a journalist working on the series both being suspended by the BBC. Lord Lane dismissed such programmes as "mere entertainment". Mycock's conviction was quashed

Now senior members of the judiciary seem to have changed their attitudes. The makers of Rough Justice were thanked by Lord Taylor, the present Lord Chief Justice, for their work on the case of the Darvel brothers, who had their murder convictions quashed in the Court of Appeal in July after a programme investigating the case.

Mr Kennedy, a long-time campaigner for wrongly con-victed prisoners, will chair the advisory group. He says: "There is a move-

ment among younger mem-bers of the legal profession to recognise that we in the media

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be involved with the pro-gramme, although he will be

unable to comment on indi-

vidual cases because of his

position. "They have done valuable work." he says. "This

is very competent television.

Anything I can do to prevent minor errors creeping in is my duty and my pleasure."

A major trigger for the creation of the advisory group

was the BBC's decision to con-

tinue to produce Rough Justice

after the defection of Jessel and

editor Steve Haywood to the

independent sector. Trial and

Error and Rough Justice are

now in close competition.

Some lawyers have expressed fears that the competi-

tive atmosphere between the

two teams will result in one or

the other lowering their re-

search standards in order to be

first on the screen. Mr Jessel

counters that two teams may

"Competition may have its

prove to be better than one.

however, believes lawyers still have a long way to go.
"Though there has been a sign of a shift from some parts of the Bar," he says, "most barristers still view these pro-grammes with suspicion."
The presence of Judge
Tumim on the advisory group

- the first judge to be involved in such a venture - may cause some raised eyebrows among the judiciary. He has spoken out against poor conditions in the country's jails, last week heavily criticising conditions at Lewes prison, East Sussex.

Though he has just become formally involved with Mr Jessel and his team, Judge Turnim has been helping them to locate potential subjects within Britain's large prison population for some

He is pleased and excited to

dangers, but we are deter-mined to avoid them. It is ultimately a good thing for our client group, the people in jail, because it means we have effectively twice the resources for these cases."
Charles Hunter, the produc-

er of Rough Justice, is worried that the situation may develop into a "beauty contest", with both teams courting the same prisoner and making him or her unrealistic promises in order to get the right to feature his case. However, he says, both teams are professional enough to prevent this hap-

pening.
Mr Jessel's decision to leave the BBC caused some acrimony there. He says he left after a senior BBC staff member told him the corporation was not fully committed to the series and that the future of Rough Justice was in doubt, something which Steve Hewlett, the programme's BBC executive

"This is not so," he says.
There was some discussion at the time of the budget for the programme, but its future was never in doubt. I resent the assertion that we have lost our

oth teams are at present doing extensive research into a number of possible miscarriages of justice. Nei-ther is at the filming stage. Mr Jessel says research is given a high priority at Just TV. Of every 50 cases researched, only three are likely to make it to

About 15 per cent of the cases come from letters from lawyers. Mr Jessel says this percentage could rise. "Every criminal practitioner has handled a case which they are not happy with," Mr Jessel says. "We want them to come

He says his team should not be seen as a television programme group but as simply another legal resource, with access to forensic experts and others that legal aid firms often do not have.

Both teams are aware of the dangers: that a drop in stan-dards could put this important area of journalism back years in the eyes of the public and the legal profession.

SEAN WEBSTER ■ The author writes for Solicitors

# Lessons for early birds

Law and the Law Society, in conjunction with the BBC, will launch Legal Net-work Television (LNTV), the first educational broadcast service in the UK aimed specifi-

cally at lawyers.

The pre-dawn attack by the BBC is just the opening offensive in an extended publicity barrage which is likely to last through the new year. Over the next three months the network hopes to sign up enough subscribers to its twice-weekly broadcast service to give it a firm base for when the programmes start in earnest in February.

LNTV is just one of a series of education services being broadcast by the BBC in the early hours of the morning. Series for doctors, business people and accountants have already started. LNTV will be available only to subscribers who have installed a BBC selector on their video equip-ment, which decodes the scrambled signal and automatically triggers the video-

A lot of money hangs on the new service. Producing television programmes, even in these days of honed down costs, is an expensive business. The College of Law, the Law Society and the BBC who ogether own LNTV are confident that the attractiveness of the service will make it a

commercially viable venture.

"We expect that it will be paying for itself within a year," said Peter Brindley, the College of Law lecturer who is LNTV's chief executive.

The drive behind the service is the idea that lawyers want more education training and that with compulsory continuring professional education (CPE) for all just little over five years away, the time is now ripe to start a television service. The two half-hour programmes will be backed by print material and should form the basis of training sessions for which CPE points can be claimed. Rather than attending expensive courses, lawyers will be able to update themselves via LNTV in the



Legal precedent: LNTV is the UK's first network for lawyers

will pay just twice as much as the small high street outfit. That at least is the theory. The problem may lie in the LNTV maintains that whatprice. The main target audiever the price, service will give ence is the high street lawyer excellent value. Its strength and though an attractive intro-ductory offer is being made for the first quarter (£400, includshould lie in its combination of the College of Law's educaing a selector), the annual payments thereafter could betional expertise and the participation of recognised national authorities (such as David Goy. QC, on VAT and proper-ty, and Hugh Laddie, QC, on come a serious issue at part-

Anton Piller orders). ees are based on the numbers of lawyers em-Rotating through key areas such as matrimonial, property and commercial law, and litigation, the service aims to ployed by subscribing firms, but though a large firm with more than 300 lawyers will pay a fee of £6,695 plus VAT, a relatively small one with say ten leavest will new have something for most types of specialist once or twice a with, say, ten lawyers, will pay £3,450 plus VAT. In other words, the largest City firms

Viewers are normally ex-pected to be in practice, but

wider interest: for example, for social workers and personnel

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The service could also apneal to lawyers having time away from their careers or who want to update themselves on a specialisation with a view to a career change (exactly how

has yet to be calculated).

Unlike its cousin, Accountaricy TV, which presents business news and education in a series of segments. LNTV will focus in depth on one subject in each programme. The style promises to be glossy, with lively graphics from Diverse, an outside production company, but there will be no high-profile, on-screen presenter (again unlike Accessed senter (again unlike Accountancy TV), preferring instead to rest on straight opinions and insights from leading

So far, nobody is being paid to appear on LNTV, but barristers are still apparently queuing up to offer their services for nothing. Will LNTV create stars to rival Rumpole? Tune in tomorrow.

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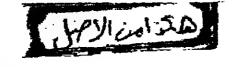
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# Contrary world of the admirable grayling is catching

DID you know that the grayling in Laka Bala, in Wales, migrate into the River Dee in summer? Neither did I. Did you know that because of the quite exceptional hatches of small stone-flies in the River Allier, in France, grayling can be caught there on the dry fly right through December? Nor I. Did you know that the Sava Bohinka strain of grayling in Eastern Europe has a red tail? That's

two of us. But we do now, which means that the annual conference of the Grayling Society at Llangollen worked its usual modest sorcery, focusing on this highly idiosyncratic fish the kind of attention that others would give their pharyngeal teeth for.

It is quite astonishing what the Grayling Society, in its 15 years, has been able to do for the grayling, the more so given the unhelpful nature of the creature itself.

For a start, the grayling is thoroughly contrary. It does not care for the round eyes that other fish have, so it has Brian Clarke joins up with the devotees of

an unglamorous and unlikely small

object of desire at their annual conference

developed a pear-shaped one instead. It carries an adipose fin. the insignia of the lordly game fish, but it insists on looking like a coarse fish and on breeding when the coarse fish breed.

For all its beaten-silver sides and its huge, spotted dorsal fin, the grayling also comes nowhere in the glamour stakes. It is a slender and rather dainty fish, true; but it does not share the heroic life cycle of the salmon or fight with the ferocity of the highlymettled trout. It is also rather small. A 11b

grayling is a nice one, a 2lb grayling a corker, and a fish of 3lb would have grown men well, some grown men, mostly members of the Grayling Society - awake and

ranting in the night. Yet, in spite of all of this and more, the society has managed to put this confused and confusing fish on the angling map and keep it there, in more senses than one.

The society has, for example, been instrumental in reducing at least some of the staughter of grayling on the chalk streams, an unneces-sary work undertaken in the belief that the fish were competing with the trout and were directly responsible for the trout's decline. Studies carried out by society members, or publicised by it, suggest that where trout populations de-cline it is primarily because the fish's environment has been eroded, and that the only result of electrofishing grayling and removing them from a river is to reduce the

number of sizable fish and to

encourage loss of smaller fish



The grayling dainty and unheroic but in demand

ences and meetings, the society has shed much other light on the grayling's natural history, distribution, breeding behaviour and feeding habits. It publishes a small journal to promote what it has learnt. It has developed branches throughout Great Britain and

Holland, Sweden,

Canada and the United States. It keeps lots of

I do not have many claims to grayling fame, but one of them is - or, at least, was that on September 23, 1983, I caught the 23rd largest grayling then known to have been caught on a fly. I have not asked the society to dou-

the list or in case my memory is playing tricks and the fish was really the 63rd largest. But the details are not important. What is imporant is that the society should be there with relevant data to hand and be able and willing to send me a report on the fish's age and growth rate year by year, based on microscopic readings of the scales I

Of course, not everyone is as involved day-to-day with the grayling, as are members of the Grayling Society. In fact, at a guess, practically nobody is. The annual conference this month was told that members had sought and fished for grayling in 84 different rivers in the United Kingdom, as well as many abroad. Some members fished between 30 and 40 days a year.

For most anglers, the gray-ling is a coincidental fish. It is the fish that pops up to take your fly when you know you had cast to a trout - and then

ble-check this in case my catch has since been shuffled down the life or been shuffled down certain you had cast to a trout. The grayling's willingness to rise to an artificial fly—and to go on rising after more sensible fish have learnt better - is its saving grace and what brings it so much gentle affection. It is a great begin-ner's fish in the summer because it is not easily put down by chansy casting. In the autumn, even trout men warm to it because the grayling is still feeding at the surface though the season for its lordly cousin has closed. Even now the fish is giving men who like to waft a fly rod an excuse to be out though the

sun is low and the countryside is washed in a gold leaf light. There is another characteristic that marks out the grayling. It is that when the fly hatches have finally waned and the fish is forced to remain hard on the bottom, the grayling will still go on feeding and offering sport to those who fish with a float

Most fishing slows down in inter because the trout is out of season and the metabo-

with the cold. The grayling, in that it is an Arctic fish, one left behind when the ice receded 10,000 years ago, and it swims and feeds blithely on

None of this would have been news to the folk in Llangollen, where the air was were thick with beards indeed, to members of the Grayling Society, it would all have been whiskers and old tweed hat. But still they, and we, learnt much about specific strains of grayling that we did not know before especially about those of the Dee in Wales and of the Sava Bohinka in troubled Slovenia each of which was discussed

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at length.
So I ask again: what other minor fish has such a society named after it and is studied in such exotic detail? Where is the Guppy League? How old was the 23rd largest dace? How many gold fillings does

# Becker served well by ability to beat opponents to punch

By Andrew Longmore, tennis correspondent, in frankfurt

a mechanical statue depicts a workman casting iron. Rhythmically, a thousand times a day, he brings a hammer crashing down on to the metal. It was built three years ago to represent the working spirit of Frankfurt, but it could equally be the symbol of the ATP championship, which was won in crushing style on Sunday by Boris Becker.

Rhythmically, hour after hour, the thud of racket on ball has echoed round the girdered ceiling of the Festhalle. Often the thud has been unanswered. Another ace. Becker served 64 in five matches, averaging just over five in each his 12 sets. Goran Ivanisevic, whom Becker defeated in a tight semi-final. added 48 to bring his total for the year to 957. In the absence of Andre Agassi's quickfire returns, both won 98 per cent

of their service games.

If you count the \$6 million Grand Slam Cup in Munich next month, which the ATP not to mention the two finalists here. Becker and Jim Courier — does not, the Crost without the interest.

could top 1,000, which is a delight for the increasing band of statisticians and a credit to Ivanisevic, the Wimbledon runner-up, but a dubious reflection on the way tennis is progressing.

Earlier this year, the ATP compiled statistics which showed that, on grass, the ball was in play for under four minutes an hour. I doubt very much if there was any more tennis than that in Becker's straight-sets victory over the world No. 1 in the final nor in either of the semi-finals. Throughout the week, the tennis was explosive, powerful, technically brilliant and crashingly one-paced.

On a fast indoor surface with big men wielding big rackets, there is no time to craft a point, no time either to defend or counter-attack Whoever gets the first punch home wins the point. Mostly, that is the server. Nearly a third of the 36 sets were decided on a tie-break. It is grass-court tennis without the greenery, without the sun, without the colour and, often,

# Seles convinced she has much to learn

FROM BARRY WOOD IN NEW YORK

MONICA Seles remembers Martina Navratilova. She was about eight years old in the Yugoslav town of Novi Sad. After watching Navratilova on television as she played the Wimbledon final, she brought home a poster of the

In those days, ten years ago, Navratilova was setting new standards in women's tennis and was almost unbeatable. Seles never dreamed she would one day play someone from the pages of a magazine. So Navratilova's declaration

after she had been defeated 7-5, 6-3, 6-1 by Seles in the final of the Virginia Slims championships was perhaps the ultimate compliment.

"Had she played like this dominating, she would have beaten me.," Navratilova said.

"At her best she's as good as anybody I've played in 20

Seles, who received a car as the Kraft Tour world champion, celebrated by dancing until after midnight at a party in her honour. Despite her triumph, Seles, 19 this week, has ber feet firmly on the

"It's a nice thing for her to say, but I do hope this is not the height of my career. I still have a lot to learn. I think I need three to four years' more practice to feel comfortable playing," she said.

She is no longer terrified of approaching the net, but other things are needed: "A great serve, not making as many unforced errors and learning to play one-handed. I enjoy hitting one-handed in practice, but in a match I stick to my basics."

count their tour finale a huge success and so will the German public, who packed the hall each day, first to watch Becker win, then to watch the tennis. The tour badly needs Becker back to his best. He is one of the few larger-than-life figures in the game and he keeps the deutschmarks flowing, which means that, even though the administration of the ATP is more than ever dominated by Americans, Europe is still the financial base. It will remain that way until Becker decides to retire, which he came close to doing during the summer, another German player rises to fill his considerable shoes or a new market opens up. The Middle East, perhaps. Or Britain?

Next year, the German fixture-list will be augmented by the new grass-court tourna-ment in Halle, which has reputedly signed the Wimbledon champion, Andre Agassi, and by a \$1 million mixed masters exhibition event in Saarbrucken in September, which is backed by RTL, the German satellite television station, and to which Steffi Graf has committed herself for three years. But the ATP, as masters of the tour, should not be deceived into thinking that all is well with the game just because the balance sheet adds up. There is rather more to responsibility than dollars

or marks. There was still much to admire in Frankfurt. The unlimited courage of Michael Chang as he vainly tried to mask his lack of power. He did not win a match, but Ken Rosewall, who lent his name to one of the qualifying groups, would have been proud of him. And there was Becker, whose control of all the many pressures around him in his homeland was more complete than at any time since the Davis Cup final

of 1989. To win only his second title inside Germany after such a wretched summer was a tribute to his powers of recovery and to his new coach, Gunther Bresnik. The real test of his new appetite, though, will come next year in the grand-slam tournaments. Like the mechnical statue, they honour

real hard labour.



Trail's end: Dallas Cowboys' defenders converge to overwhelm the Phoenix running back, Johnny Johnson (39)

# Falcons rushed to heavy defeat

34. Seth Joyner returned an yard runs and Jerry Rice

By ROBERT KIRLEY

THE Buffelo Bills, Dalles Cowboys and San Francisco 49ers won on Sunday to lead the National Football League with records of nine victories and two defeats and the surprising Minnesota Vikings and Pittsburgh Steelers prevailed for the eighth time to lead their divisions.

Buffalo scored touchdowns on each of their first five series to rout the Atlanta Falcons 4!-14. The Bills took such advantage of a blitzing defence that Kenneth Davis and Thurman Thomas gained over 100 yards rushing before half-time. Davis ended with 181 yards and two touchdowns, including a 64-yarder. The Falcons yielded 315 yards rushing, a club record.

Troy Aikman completed two touchdown passes to lift the Cowboys to a 16-10 victory over the Phoenix Cardinals, maintaining a two-game lead in the National Football Conference East. The Cowboys ran off the last four minutes thanks to a questionable inter-

ference penalty.

The Philadelphia Eagles beat the New York Giants 47-

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interception 43 yards for a score, Ken Rose recovered a 99th touchdown of his career. Rice needs one scoring catch blocked punt for a touchdown and Vai Sikahema scored on to equal the league record set an 87-yard punt return as Philadelphia ran up 34 unanby Steve Largent, formerly of Seattle. Rice also set a team record by catching at least one swered points. The 49ers best the Los pass in 106 consecutive games Angeles Rams 27-10 as Ricky Watters scored on two threeand finished with four catches for 93 yards. The Miami

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Dolphins outlicked the Houston Oilers 19-16. Al Del Greco, of Houston, missed a 41-yard attempt with 1min 49sec left and Pete Stoyanovich of Miami kicked a 52-yarder with two seconds remaining for the win.

Barry Foster, of Pittsburgh, scored twice and rushed for 168 yards in a 30-14 victory

over the Indianapolis Colts. John Elway was sidelined with a shoulder injury sus-tained last week and the Denver Broncos paid dearly, losing 24-0 to the Los Angeles Raiders. Tommy Maddox, a rookie quarterback, was inter-cepted twice by Terry McDaniel. Eric Dickerson, in his best game with the Raiders, gained 107 yards and Jay Schroeder completed three touchdown tosses.

Audray McMillian re-turned his third interception of the game for a fourthquarter score that gave the Minnesota Vikings a 17-13 victory over the Cleveland Browns. Brett Favre threw for one touchdown and ran for another to lift the Green Bay Packers to a 17-3 win over the Chicago Bears, who lost their fourth game in a row.

# **RUGBY LEAGUE**

# Ford gets chance as injuries take toll

BY CHRISTOPHER LEVINE

A HEAVY injury toll has given the England rugby league side an experimental feel, with three senior international newcomers drafted into the starting line-up to face. Wales at Swansea on Friday. The withdrawal of the experienced Wigan props, Andy Platt and Keivin Skenett, along with the second-row forward, Denis Betts, should partly redress the imbalance up front, where the Welsh

were felt to be weakest. After a training session at Headingley, Malcolm Reilly, the England coach, yesterday brought the Castleford and Great Britain prop, Lee Crooks, into the side to assume the goalkicking role from Deryck Fox, a fourth injury victim of a disconcerting week-

In place of Fox, Mike Ford, the Castleford scrum half, will pariner Garry Schofield at half back, a not-altogetherunhappy proposition, particu-larly given the speed of Martin Offiah and Alan Hume out wide and the strength of Gary Connolly and Paul Newlove in

the centre. With Alan Tait struggling to overcome the effects of a gashed leg. Smart Spruce, of Widnes, takes over at full back. He, Ford and the Leeds forward, Steve Molloy, all Great Britain under-21 internationals, will make their senior debuts, with three other new players, Dean Busby, Jason Critchley and Chris Joynt, all

likely to be on the substitutes With just seven of those who represented Great Britain in last month's World Cup final included, Reilly sees the side as forward-thinking. "We've picked up injuries, but we are looking to the future, although all these players have interna-tional experience at some lev-

worries. The wing, Phil Ford, the only survivor from the last match against England eight years ago, described his chances of playing as 50-50. Paul Moriarty, the second-row forward, is also doubtful with knee and shoulder problems.

## WORD-WATCHING

Answers from page 40 HARRY TATE

(a) Used attributively or in the possessive to designate something incompetent or disorderly, from the stage name of R. M. Hutchinson (1872-1942), British music hall comedian: "Native courts have been established in Uganda. Their methods have been described as Harry Tate procedure, but they are generally successful at arriving at the

(b) Someone attached to old-fashioned ideas or ways, an extreme conservative, a fogey, from a large old fish so singgish that it has a growth of algae on its back: "The mossbacks of the National Gallery has pulled off quite a coop in securing the Martini Horse for a one-day exhibition."

(c) Prison, usually with "the", sometimes the slammers, perhaps from the slamming shut of cell doors: "This one's not for the slammer; he'll go to Broadzoor for sure."

(b) As axe, especially in the phrase "to swing Douglas", formerly a proprietary name in the US for axes, hatchets, etc. produced by the Douglas Axe Manufacturing Co., East Douglas, Mass.: "Sometimes on a Sunday moraing exhibitions of axemanship were given; right and wrong way to swing Douglas."

SOLUTION TO WINNING CHESS MOVE The white rook leapt into the fray with 1 Rxh7! Kxh7 2 Qh5+

# More money for British League

By DAVID POWELL, ATHLETICS CORRESPONDENT

British athletics is beating the recession was presented yesterday when Guardian Royal Exchange announced a threeyear extension to its British League sponsorship. From 1994 to 1996, GRE will add £20,000 to its present

£130,000-a-year backing. The British League has every right to feel pleased with irself because, unlike most other leading track and field operations, it negotiates its

own sponsorship.
Alan Pascoe Associates, the British Athletic Federation's marketing agency, handles all the other main sponsorships others had suffered in the and has secured a succession recession were: "The success of

consolidated Britain as the most sponsored nation in ITV." European athletics. Since APA became the mar-

keting agency for the sport in Britain in 1985, its annual income on behalf of athletics has risen from £300,000 to more than £4 million. But GRE's sponsorship of the British League pre-dates APA's involvement in the sport for it was begun in 1978. Matthew Wheeler, APA's director in charge of athletics, said that the two main reasons why the sport had found favour with sponsors while

FURTHER evidence that of deals recently which has our athletes and the strength of the television contract with Linford Christie used the

British League last summer as an early-season work-out before going on to win the Olympic 100 metres. Jack Walters, the league's

outgoing chairman, said yes-terday: "Both GRE and the British League have given immeasurable support of the athletics at all levels over the years. In many ways it has been the conscience of the sport in this country. We were at the forefront in advocating a single governing body in 1983 and we have led the way in drug-testing in the UK."

# EQUESTRIANISM

# Beerbaum will lead the parade at Olympia

By JENNY MACARTHUR

LUDGER Beerbaum. Germany, the Olympic indi-vidual gold medal-winner, heads the formidable list of entries for the 21st Olympia Show Jumping Champion-ships, which take place from December 16 to 20.

The British entries are led by the Olympic riders. John and Michael Whitaker, David Broome - who has competed 21 every show - and Nick Skelton. The show, started by the late Raymond Brooks-Ward in 1972, has been voted the world's top indoor show by the international riders. That means many entries have to be pia last year.

of surned away. Because the show holds a Volvo World Cup qualifier it is obliged to accept 24 foreign riders. Philip Drew, the chairman

of the show committee, said yesterday: "This means we have to limit British riders to 16, otherwise the classes become too long." The 16 are taken from the top 11 of the national rankings plus the top five from the qualifying show held at South View in Cheshive last month. This figure precludes Veronique Whitaker, the winner of the World Cup qualifier at OlymTHE WAS TIMES RACING

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# The Fellow gamble gathers momentum as course dries

AS A further gamble developed on The Fellow yesterday, drying winds made it more likely that the French-trained King George VI winner and dual Cheltenham Gold Cup runner-up will run in Saturday's Hennessy Cognac Gold

Cup.
"A strong, southerly wind has been blowing all day," said Major General David Plank, Newbury's chief executive. "The course drains quickly, and although the ground is still officially soft, it could soon become only good to soft."

Heavily-backed during the past week, The Fellow's odds shortened again to 11-2 with Ladbrokes after a single wager of £2,000 each-way at 7-1. Francois Doumen's Lamorlaye stable is currently in

irresistible form. On Sunday, the Ascotbound True Brave won a fouryear-old hurdle at Auteuil, worth over £50,000 to the winner. The trainer also won the listed Grand Prix de Nantes on the Flat with On Y

An inspection today will decide whether the seven-year-old will be flown to Berkshire tomorrow. "We want to run as we're keen for him to have a race before the King George," said the trainer yesterday. "Someone has walked the course today. If conditions continue to improve The Fellow is likely to run."

Fellow is, he faces a formidable task under 11st 13lb. In the 34-year history of the race, only Arkle in 1964 and 1965 and Burrough Hill Lad in 1984 have carried that weight Or more to victory

Although Cool Ground (12 stone) and Twin Oaks (11st 6lb) were other highly weighted horses among the 16 declared yesterday, it is still not certain whether Chatam will have to should be seen as the statem. have to shoulder more than his allotted 11st 4lb for his attempt to win the Hennessy

for a second consecutive year. "Cool Ground is still only a possible rather than a probable," said Toby Balding, about last Saturday's Aintree faller.
"I would still rather go for the
Rehearsal Chase at Chepstow,

Top-class chaser that The but we won't decide until later in the week."

Similarly, Gordon Richards was unsure about the participation of last week's Haydock winner, Twin Oaks. "If it's very heavy, we might consider it. But not if he looks like having to give weight away to

four or five useful horses." Recently, by far the bestbacked horses have been Chatam and Jodami, who have been supported from 8-1 and 14-1 since last Wednesday.

Jodami is reported to be all the better for his run when second to Run For Free at Haydock. "I'm sure the race will have brought him on. He's bright and well, and eating up." said Peter Beaumont about the seven-year-

HENNESSY ACCEPTORS BBC1 1.50 HENNESSY COGNAC GOLD CUP (Handicap: £50,000 added prize-money: 3m 2f 110yd) (16 live-day declarations) (Handicap: £50,000 added prize-money: 3m 2i 110yd) (16 five-day declarations)

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# Aga Khan begins his challenge

THE Jockey Club yesterday faced an attempt by the Aga Khan to make its regulatory decisions open to review in the courts.

In what is seen as a test case affecting the governing bodies of other sports, the Aga Khan is seeking to challenge the Jockey Club's deci-sion to disqualify his 1989 Oaks winner. Aliysa, who was found to have traces of 3hydroxycamphor in her urine which had come from camphor, a banned substance.

Mighty Mogul, an impressive winner of his only two races for David Nicholson this His first attempt to overturn the ruling was blocked in July last year when the High season, Duke Of Monmouth, Court held that the Jockey Club's decisions were not susceptible to judicial review. the Triumph Hurdie winner. and Staunch Friend are among the likely starters for the Gerry Feilden Hurdle. The Aga Khan's counsel, Sydney Kentridge, QC, ar-

gued in the Court of Appeal Halkopous to Newcastle for the Bellway Fighting Fifth Hurdle, where his opposition yesterday that the monopolistic position of the Jockey Club within racing meant it was charged with the regulation of not just a sport but a major industry. It exercised its authority.

with governmental and legislative backing, to control completely the activities of everyone involved in the actual racing of horses.

Some of its powers were therefore plainly in the 'publie" sphere and should be open to review. The court hearing of the

Aga Khan's appeal, which is strongly contested by the Jockey Club, was adjourned until tomorrow.

# can add to impressive tally

**Talented Remittance Man** 

Reminance Man has proved himself a horse of genuine class, and can be expected to win the Peterborough Chase at Huntingdon today prior to a second challenge for the overturn that form. King George VI Chase at Kempton on Boving Day.

It was there, last December. that Remittance Man suffered his only defeat of the season when third to The Fellow his stamina betraying him in the closing stages.

DURING the last two seasons

However, he put that behind him when returning to the minimum trip to beat Katabatic and Waterloo Boy in the Queen Mother Champion Chase in what was perhaps one of the finest races of

The eight-year-old ended the season as the top-rated chaser and, with his fluent jumping and acceleration, he is the likely successor to Desert Orchid for public acciamation. This season. Remittance Man started where he left off when beating Kings Fountain

at Wincanton last month. Kings Fountain is a talented horse but he was no match for Remittance Man, who made just one error on his way to an effortless success.

The pick of his rivals should be Uncle Emie, who won a celebrity flat race at Wetherby last week Uncle Emie has proved his quality with some worthy performances and was a four-length runner-up to Waterloo Boy in the Game Spirit Chase at Newbury in

MANDARIN He is held by my selection

on that run and it would be a major surprise if he could The Britannia Novices

Chase looks between Ashfold Copse and Mr Jamboree. Both have won a novice chase this season, and both have paid the penalty for a mistake by falling in their only other outing.
Although there may not be

much to choose between them on their performances over fences. Ashfold Copse has a definite edge over hurdles.

A winner at Newbury in

February, bearing the now highly-rated Barton Bank by two-and-a-half lengths. Guy Harwood's six-year-old put up

Glover: fancied for Huntingdon double

another a fine performance when eight-and-a-half lengths third to Theiford Forest in the Sun Alliance Hurdle at Cheltenham in March.

Croix Val Mer made a promising debut when seven lengths second to Regent Lad at Stratford last month, and should open her account in the Hoechst Pancur EBF Mares National Hunt Novices' Hur-

dle qualifier. Croix Val Mer can provide the first half of a double for Worksop trainer Jeremy Glover, who can also strike with Yorkshireman in the Bedford Handicap Chase.

Yorkshireman looked in need of the race on his seasonal reappearance at Market Rasen earlier this month over a trip which may

be short of his best. Peter Niven and Mary Reveley are in fine form this season and they can also land double at Stratford with Whitwood in the Stretton Novices' Chase and Flight Hill in the Todenham Handi-

Flight Hill, a model of consistency last season, win-ning four of his eight races and never out of the frame, was going well when making an error at Ayr two weeks ago. If that fall has not dented his confidence, he has every chance of winning here, and

he is my nap. Whitwood appears to have taken well to fences judged on his five-length win over Daw-

son City, a dual winner since. at Market Rasen.

# HUNTINGTON:

1.00 Hold Court.

1.30 Ashfold Copse.

2.00 Nicklup. 2.30 Remittance Men.

3.00 Banker's Gossip.

MANDARIN 1.00 Stratford Lady. 1.30 Ashfold Coose 2.00 Croix Val Mer.

2.30 Remittance Man. 3.00 Yorkshireman. 3.30 Rosgill.

RICHARD EVANS: 3.30 All Greek To Me.

GOING: GOOD TO SOFT (CHASE COURSE); SOFT (HURDLES)

1.00 HOUGHTON SELLING HURDLE (£1,674: 2m 110yd) (10 runners) PPOT-D HOLD COURT 11 (D) (F Gording) in Callegine 4-11-12 D Murphy 97

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BETTING, 11-4 Otter Buch, 7-2 Hold Court, 4-1 Sendard Lady, 5-1 Point Taken, 16-1 Rall Signs, 14-1 Mach The Tex And Me. 20-1 others. 1991: FREE EDUCATION 4-11-4 D (FSulfrem (4-1) P Hodge: 19 ran

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1.30 BRITANNIA NOVICES CHASE (£2,368: 2m 41 110yd) (10 runners) 1 1303-F1 ASHFOLD COPSE 17 (G) (Mrs P Locies) 6 Hamord 6-11-11 M Permit 90
1 029F-1F MR JAMBORRE 26 (F.G) (Mrs P Locies) 6 Hamord 6-11-11 D Hamply 59
3 014254 ARMALA 193 (A Bizolmore) A Blacksore 7-11-5 S Carrier (7) 86
4 034538 A RIAAL 13 (F.G) (O Dometry) J Jacksor 7-11-5 R Dutenody - BOSTINS SWAN 7 J Upony John R Upony 6-11-5 R Supple - 6 431122 MOTARY-ROWELL 11 (B,G) (G Hubbard) F Marphy 6-11-5 A Maggire 93
7 3050/FP PRINCE'S COURT (7) (F.G. Regony) A Turnell 9-11-5 S Machine 93
9 0100-00 SOVERBER SOUND 24 (B,G) (Mrs M Taylor) A Turnell 5-11-4 L Hamply 61
10 3-40733 TOP (7 ALL 27 (G) (Three PR Range) & Royal 4-10-5 J Ryan (3)
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2.00 HOECHST PANACUR EBF MARES NATIONAL HUNT NOVICES HURDLE (Qualifier, £2,127 2m 5t 110yd) (8 runners)

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60202-4 MAX DELIGHT 210 Mrs. P Sty. Mrs. P Sty. 5-10-12. A Carroll 77

4345 LADY BLAKENEY 124 (J Young) 8 Rotwell 6-10-12. R Supple

5F-04 NICKLUP 11 (Lord Casogan) 1 Forster 5-10-12. H Davies 85

0 SALLY SOHAM 11 (6 February) F Marphy 4-10-12. A Maguies

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Ladbrokes make Chatam

and Jodami their joint-

favourites at 9-2. They then go

11-2 The Fellow and Captain

Dibble. 8-1 Latent Talent, and

Graham McCourt has been

confirmed as the rider of the

Grand National winner, Party

Politics, who finished runner-

Some of the country's most

promising hurdlers will also

Mark Tompkins may send

includes last year's winner, Royal Derbi, Jinxy Jack, and

the highly-regarded Coulton,

who has also been declared at

Still on the hurdling front, news came from James

Fanshawe about Royal Gait,

the reigning champion.
"We want to run him in either the Christmas Hurdle at

Kempton, or the Bookmakers'

Hurdle at Leopardstown. He's

about two weeks off running.

so there's a possibility he

might have a preliminary in the Bula Hurdle at Cheltenham."

Newbury.

up to Chatam last year.

be on view on Saturday.

10-1 Party Politics.

handicapped with 10st 2lb.

2.30 PETERBOROUGH CHASE (Grade II: £11,142: 2m 4f 110yd) (4 runners)

BETTING: 4-9 Rentitance Man, 11-4 Uncle Smile, 14-1 Emsee-H, 18-1 Surah Jay. 1991: SABIN DU LDR 12-11-9 P Scudamore (4-7 lev) M Pipe 4 cm

FORM FOCUS

RENTTANCE MAN cominately best Kings Foun-ten 12i in 4-numer Wincanion (2m 51, good) grade It crease. Best Extrapol (2m 4 spark) in April with Cases or Liverpool (2m 4, good) in April with CINCLE ERNEE (ed. 15t. LINCLE ERNEE resurned this seazon when beating Pit The Bill 11 to 12-numer Westerby (1m 2t, good

3.00 BEDFORD HANDICAP CHASE (£2,399: 3m) (7 runners) 1 1820-02 BANKER'S GOSSIP 11 (CD.F.9.S) (Mrs. M Sution) D Metabon 8-11-10... R Dunwoody 92 2 41355F. THE FORTES 188 (F.5) (Asia Menit AFA LD. T Bill 7-11 10... J Ration 93 2212-22 OVER AND ABOVE 17 (D.B.F.F.9.S.) (Mrs. I Wiles) in Handrason 10-11 9... J Ration 94 U2122-5 YORKSHIREMAN 18 (F.S.S.) (Mrs. I Wiles) in Handrason 10-11 9... J Known 95 P46-213 NO GRANDAD 40 (D.S.) Li Usoni John R Uson 6-11-4... R Partier 59 47 R/PS-F8 TANBUNGTON 17 (B Habbard F Marphy 9-10-0... R R Partier 59 47 R/PS-F8 TANBUNGTON 17 (B Habbard F Marphy 9-10-0... A Magnin 80 BETTING: 2-1 Banter's Gossip, 3-1 No Grandad, 7-2 Over And Above, 5-1 Yorkshireman, 8-1 The Fortec, 14-1 Curriew, 25-1 Tamington.

1881: ON THE TWIST 9-11-10 A Maguine (5-1) F Murphy & ran

FORM FOCUS

parentager's SUSSER's 17 zno to 5 to hey Skivary in conditional jockeys' bandcap chase over course and distance (groud) with Children's (41b better off) a distance (and 11 and 12 and 13 and 14 and 15 and 1

3.30 WARMINGTON HANDICAP HURDLE (£1,987: 2m 110yd) (7 runners)

Long handicate: Always Ready 9-10, Fierce 9-4. Thin Red Line 9-3.
BETTING: 2-1 All Grest To Me, 3-1 Badratham, 9-2 Always Ready, Rospill, 8-1 Airest, 14-1 Fierce. Thin Red Line.
1991: THIN RED LINE 7-10-0 M Ahem (16-1) J Jenkin. 9 cm FORM FOCUS

BADRAKHANI has failed to complete on two starts in novice chases this term. Neck 2nd of 7 to Bessady Boy in Warnisck (2m. good to firm) hardisc on final start test term. ARREEF 23 for of 8 to Baydon Star in Ascot (2m 110yd, good) handsias burdle.

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ROSGLL 131/4 4th of 15 to Missier Major in Ascoli (2m, good) novice headings burdle on penulthrake start last form.

hurdle. Selection: ALL GREEK TO ME

COURSE SPECIALISTS TRAINERS **JOCKEYS** M Perrett
A Magazre
J Regan
D Murphy
A S Smith
R Durmond

# STRATFORD

MANDARIN 1.20 Whitwood. 1.50 Devil's Soul. 2.20 FLIGHT HILL (nap). 2.50 Front Page.

THUNDERER 1.20 Whitwood. 1.50 Sun Surter. 2.20 Flight Hill. 2.50 NEVER FORGOTTEN (nap). 3.50 Old Brig.

RICHARD EVANS: 1.50 Sun Surter. 3.20 PADAVENTURE (nap). The Times Private Handicapper's top rating: 1,20 WHITWOOD.

GOING: GOOD TO SOFT (GOOD IN PLACES)

1.20 STRETTON NOVICES CHASE (£2,737: 2m 4f) (9 runners) | 10011/1 WHITWOOD 18 (D.F.G.S) | J. Cable Mirs & Reveley 7-11-5 | P. Norm | 10011/1 WHITWOOD 18 (D.F.G.S) | J. Cable Mirs & Reveley 7-11-5 | P. Norm | 10011/1 WHITWOOD 18 (D.F.G.S) | J. Cable Mirs & Reveley 7-11-5 | C. Uswellyn | 31/507-4 | JM VALENTINE 55 (F.S.) (R. Barnes) D. Windle 6-10-12 | N. Williamson | F./SPRS- MR DYNAMIC 362 (D. Deacon) D. Deacon 10-10-12 | W. Marston (S. 72 | 166223 PASSO ALLERITA 248 (S.) (D. Deacon) D. Deacon 9-10-12 | D. Cable (T.) 77 | BOPTS- PAT CULLEN 204 (S.) (S. Joynes) Mir S. Joynes 7-10-12 | Mir S. Joynes (T.) 72 | ODPS467 PESMARINE 57 (Mir J. Wildows) Mir A. Woodrow 9-10-12 | Mir Mirzon 10016-P. TELL YOU WHAT 11 (R. (T. Cably) T. Casley 7-10-12 | B. Powell | 48-2200 TRAVAL TEMPORAMER 31 (Traval Employment) N. Teston-Daves 6-10-12 D. Bridgester | 10016-P. TELL WOU WHAT 11 (R. (T. Cably) T. Casley 7-10-12 | R. Fight Mirron 15 | Revent Mirron 12-11 (Famil Employment) N. Teston-Daves 6-10-12 D. Bridgester | 10016-P. TELL WOU WHAT 11 (R. (T. Casley) T. Casley 8-10-12 | Temporation 15-10 (Pascal Employment) | Temporation 16-11 (Pascal Em BETTIME: 4-6 Whitewood, 5-1 Jam Valentine, 13-2 Friendly Baziker, 12-1 Travell Temporaire, 16-1 Passo All'era, 20-1 Per Cullen, 25-1 omers.

1991: BLACKSBURG 6-10-12 M Dwyer (4-7 tav) Jimmy Frageraid 7 ran

1.50 RRAILES MOVICES HURDLE

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(4-Y-	0 £1,	305: 2m 110yd) (13 runners)
1	45-12	SUR SURFER 21 (D.G) (5 Sansbury) T Forster 11-2
2	4	DEVAL'S SOUL & (P Roberts) P. Aketusti 10-10
3		DGROBO 24 (Max J. Lewroson) T Forser 10-10
4	33	EDIREPUS 7 (R Kult) Mrs G Reveley 10-10
5		HERMES HARVEST 222 (Mess B Painer) D Williams 10-10 B Prived
6		KAYRUZ 21 (Mrs 3 Davies) D Burchell 10-10
7		MR SMAIL 578F (Slow-Coach Partnership) S Natilesell 10-10
Ė	0	MULLBIGAR CON 20 (P Syme) B Corley 10-10 E Murphy
ě		POLISH RIDER 14 (A Brudenzil-Bruce) Mrs D Haine 10-10 ht Williamson
10		SAUSALITO BOY 12 (Winnesd Cornel Partiers) N Twicton-Davies 10-10 P Scudemore
11		WAGGIO 45 (The Cal True Syndicate) J Alebura 10-10 G Bradley
12		ADMIRAL'S MISTRESS 277F (Lyon Wilson) P Makin 10-5
13	В	HARAKA SASA 13 (Mrs F -Intersoy) J Weigher 10-5
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DC I I I I	r 13-0	Sun Surter, 7-2 Devil's Soul. 4-1 Editebus. 5-1 Sausahin Boy, 7-1 Mullingar Con, 16-1 other

1991: DEEPNY 10-4 M Fother (8-13 tax) M Pipe 8 ran **COURSE SPECIALISTS** Res 510 25 25 79 47 **JOCKEYS** 26.5 19.2 17.9 16.1 13.6

# 2.20 TODENHAM HANDICAP CHASE (£2,604; 2m 11 110yd) (8 runners) 1 1113-F RUGHT HILL 10 (BF.G.S.) (Mr. R Stanle) Not 6 Fierstey 8-12-0 2425/PD BREAKFAST CAR 8 (F.G.S.) (Mr. R Stanle) Not 6 Fierstey 8-12-0 3475-2 BELSTONE FOX 10 (G) (Mr. R Stanle) 0 Notation 7-11-2 3417-5 CAME DOWN 8 (F.S.) (Mr. R Stanle) 10 Notation 7-10-6 5 380016 STROMG EDGE 17 (B.F.G.) (Mr. E Stanle) 1 Notation 7-10-6 5 1170-84 TINKS LAD 22 (F.G.) (G Johnson J Berslad 9-10-3 3444-1 PALSPIC EDGE 38 (Br. R Stanle) Notation 8 Notation 8 Notation 8 Notation 5 10-0 6 070354 ESPERO 543 (Mr. L Müler) C Vernan Miles 11-10-0 ... P IJ-en 🕮

Long handkap: Pacific Gem \$-7, Espera \$-2. BETTING: 6-4 Flegie Hill, 3-1 Belotsing Fox. 5-1 Times Lad. 8-1 Carrie Down, 16-1 Studing Edge, 14-1 Breakter Ger. 16-1 Paculic Gern, 25-1 Ecoerc

1991: MORR'S LAISTAKE 9-10-11 5 Dowling (13-2) R Lee 17 ran

2.50 WARRNAMBOOL TROPHY HANDICAP HURDLE

(Conditional riders: £1,926; 2m 110yds) (8 runners) Long handicap, Kalzari 9-9.

BETTING: 15-8 Never Pargotten, 9-4 Front Page, 7-2 Secret Lason, 10-1 Will James, 14-1 Caromandoo 20-1 Raban, 25-1 others. 1891, PINATA 5-11-5 G Rows (10-11 Mrs. J Pitman 9 ran

3.20 STOURTON INTERMEDIATE HANDICAP CHASE

(£3,018: 3m) (7 runners) 

BETTINE: 7-4 Pacarerture, 11-4 Peagede, 5-1 Ram Homes, 8-1 Tribal Rules Gunner Swam 10-1 Crossologram-link, 14-1 Cropdate.

3.50 WHICHFORD NATIONAL HUNT NOVICES HURDLE 1 44/324-1 DLD BRIG 19 (D.G) (D Jenis) M Pipe 6-11-4 P Statismore
2 532421 POLLETTON'S PRIDE 10 (G) /G Gravest W Clay 5-10-13 Dlane Clay
3 000-UF CASS 12 /C Wilson it Twiston-Davies 5-10-12 CLievelvin
4 000- PLE ET 285 (M Sezionary) Mr. J Parism 6-10-12 M Pinnan
5 UT1P-4P LAUMORYMAN 19 (G,S) (Burlord Laurdy) S Meltor 9-10-12 S Earle
6 00-8 MARRA'S ROSCOE 15 (Mr. D Homeri Mr. S Rivelier 6-10-12 P hives
7 FTU22-P RABA RIBA 185 (J M SCENINY) J Sporany 7-10-12 M N Bradley (7)
8 000-90 RASTIME COWBOY JOE 18 (J Alen) J Piter 7-10-12 M N Bradley (7)
9 0-0 SRJVER SMCLING 46 files 2 Ward 5-10-12 D Meradith (5)
10 45 HAZEL NEL 24 (J Crestwell) J Crestwell 6-10-1 S S Wyma 15)
11 FPP-P MARY BOROUGH 12 (E Young) Mr. J Young 6-10-7 G G G J J J L RECTONS COMMENT 10-15 Bit 15-16 (B) 15-16 (B

BETTING 5-4 Oko Bing, 3-1 Marra 2 Reside, 13-2 Follerkon's Pride 5-1 Laundryman. 10-1 File Jet. 15-1 Rapa Riba, Cass. 25-1 others 1991; SALLY'S GEM 6-10-12 A Jones (4-1) J White 13 ran

# SOUTHWELL

MANDARIN

TRAINERS

1.10 Tendresse. 1.40 Another Episode. 2.10 Qualitair Rhythm. 2.40 Anusha. 3.10 Buglet. 3.40

THUNDERER 1.10 Sovereign Niche. 1.40 Another Episode. 2.10 Qualitair Rhythm. 2.40 Jocks Joker. 3.10 Buglet. 3.40 Debsy Do.

GOING: STANDARD DRAW: 5F-1M, LOW NUMBERS BEST

1.10 GROUNDSMEN HANDICAP

(£2,595: 1m) (16 runners) 1 20-0 SHANNON EOPRESS 270 (CD,F) E Alston 5-9-10 ... M HBIs 5
1 1000 LORD MASKIRA 10 (CLW 0 Gomman 3-9-6 Emman 0 Gomman 73) 6
3 3031 LODOWNESORARABBOW 13 (F G) Bob Jones 4-9-6 N Day 14
4 0-05 LODOK NEEPER 31 J (CD) J Macthe 5-9-2 ... G Camer 18
6 3000 HENU 15 (V) Lord Henrington 3-4-0 ... A Mutero 11
7 -000 BELEVE IN ME 5 B McMarch 3-9-0 ... T Quien 2
8 25 GOLD SURPRISS 22 Jermy Furgerald 3-8-13 Dean McKnown 8
9 (50 SHANAKEE 6 R brighnath 5-8-10 ... A Tucker (S) 12
10 0400 CLASSION 18 E Alcton 3-8-10 ... A Tucker (S) 12
11 0030 MLHARRIK 6 (ER) 1 Mymmorph 4-8-9 ... G Partin (7) 4
12 245 HIDLAN MACSTRO 7J (F) MS 3 Sembors 6-8-4 ... K Derky 15
13 0015 SALMAN 68 (D,FS) 5 Notion 6-8-5 ... D Wright (7) 11
14 1421 TEMPRESS 8 (CD,FS) C H4 4-7-12 ... D Holland 3
15 0450 SOVERHEIN NICHE 144 MIS J Remarker 4-7-11 ... J Fanning 1
16 0000 DON'T DROP BOMBS 50 (V) A Scot 5-7-8 ... Date Sibson 13 7-2 Tendrasse, 5-1 Lookingtoraraintow, 6-1 Salman 7-1 Sovereign Miche, 8-1 Henru, 12-1 Lock Keeper, Gasgow, 16-1 Lord Nazira, Con'i Drop Bombs, 20-1 Offes.

1.40 BOB LEE CLAIMING STAKES

(£2,448: 5l) (11) 5 5050 MAID WELLOWE I IN 10.00.7, Dean McKerwin 6
6 5-25 GOLDEN SICKLE 311 W 0 Gorman 3-8-7
7 1303 SAMSOLDM 14 (0,F) J Balding 4-8-7. J Williams 2
9 4064 BARBARA'S CUTIC 36 (V,D,G) M Spenchard 4-7-12 G Bandwell 8
9 5035 DOESYULUDOES 6 (V,D) G THOM 3-7-10. Kim #AcDonnal (7) 4
10 5053 LOMELY LASS 21 - Janes 6-7-10. J Quien 7
11 4000 STAMSHAW 6 B McMatan 3-7-10. S Wood 11

COURSE SPECIALISTS

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3.40 KEVIN VOCE HANDICAP (£2,490, 7f) (14)

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# **User Friendly** has canter

THE Clive Brittain-trained User Friendly had her first sight of Tokyo racecourse yesterday when, ridden by head lad Michael Leaman, she cantered once round the dire course.

She is expected to do a gallop tomorrow, with George Duffield aboard, as part of her preparation for this weekend's Japan Cup.

The other overseas runner to work yesterday was one of the two Australian entries. Let's Elope.

Dr Devious, the French duo of Dear Doctor and Vert Amande. Quest For Fame, from the United States, and the other Australian runner. Naturalism, were moved out of quarantine yesterday afternoon.

☐ Lupescu (Walter Swinburn) and Jdaayel (Willie Carson) represent David Loder and Alec Stewart respectively in the Prix Fille de l'Air at Saint-Cloud today.

This is the last group race of the French season and 15 runners go to post including Seconde Bleue (Thierry James) and the improving Stop Press (Cash Asmussen).



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RESULTS FROM YESTERDAYS THREE MEETINGS 3.40 (2m 7) holie) 1, SUPER RITCHART (J. Osborne, 9-2), 2. Cossinin (J. Puttin, 20-1), 3. Royal Wonder (P. Soudemine, 11-8 tay), 4LSO RAN-2 My Chiara, 12 Sheaton (4th), 16 Temmus (6th), 56 Chemois Boy (6th), 500 Rough Cut (pu), 8 ran 's, 5, 15, 5, dist B. Patting et Cowbridge, Tote, £5,20: £240, £180, £1,50 DF: £27,50, CSF: £57,42, Troper £165,44 Going: good to soft (chase course), soft (fraidles) Provides 1.10 July 1.1 WONDER MAN IR Dunwoody 1.3 taw, 2. Man Of The West 4. Toy, 5.1.1 3. The Flying Footman IS McNoa (8-1), 4.1.50 RAVI 6 Baladya (1.50 Windows (1.60 Nare Point (4th) 6 tan 15, 81 died in Theholson at Temple Gusting 100 £1 40, 51 29, 52 80 DF £2 50 CSF 52 75

Placepot £78.80. Folkestone Going: solt (heavy in places on hurdles course)

course)
1.00 (2m 1/ 170yd hdfe) 1. Big BEAT (P. Holley, 7-4), 2. Ceppuccino Girl (M. Crosse, 14-1), 3. Emelovy (G. McCourt, 13-8 tay).
ALSO RAN 9 Nodomi (4th.), 10 Isrnag (5th), 18 Kerry My Home (6th), 33 Alpine Trooper Pulled up), Nun So Geme, 68 Ewald (pu).
Lime Street Lil (pu), 10 ran. 251, 121, 121, hd.
201 D Elsworth el Whisbury, Tote: 13,60; 130, 22,70, 21 50 OF, 121,80 CSF.

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1.30 (2m si ch) 1. LE CHAT NOIR (Peter Hobbs, 9-1), 2, Gladtogetit (A Maguire, 8-1) (av) 3, Magtar Cornedy (G Rowe, 9-1), ALSO RAN: 16 Bronze Finel (5m), 33 Sharpoun (4m), 5 ran. 5, 15, 20, 20, D Grsseli at Learnied Toter Ex.10, 51.30, 51.70 DF 12 40 CSF: £3 99. Fleathied Tote E3.10, £1.30, £1.70 DF £2.40 CSF; £3.99.
2.00 (2m & 10yd hdie) 1, MICK'S TY-COON IJ Lower, 6-4 fayr; 2, Green's Thorburn IJ Clerke, 16-1), 3, Konelevekia (D Murphy, 7-1) ALSO RAN 9-2 Bright Sapphire (pol), 7 Carfax, 8 Cathos (pul), March Above (5in), 9 Joker Jack (4th), 16 Viking Venture (pul), 25 Stone Madriess (8th), 33 Eddies Fells (pul), Ellie's Son (pul) 12 ran, 234, 107, 100, 201, 12; M Pipe at Wellington Tote £2.90; £2.10, 26 80, £2.60, DF; £37.30 CSF; £28 6 Tricast, £14 03 Bought in 4,000gns.
2.30 (2m 5 ch) 1, LAIKE TEERKEEN (T Grantham, 4-9 fax), 2, Don't Tell The Wills (Addition, 5-1); 3, Lobric (M Ahem, 14-1), ALSO RAN 14 Express Reale (5th), 18 Capsize (pul), £5 jum Bowe (4th), Pydai Phde (5th), 40 Menedarve (f), 50 Fyling Fnish (pul), Sheer Abdy (f), Lucky Heimet 11 ran, 151, £51, 11, 51, 301. R Rowe at Auborough. Tote: £1.50, £7.20, £1.30, £2.90 DF; £1.80 CSF £3.58

3.00 (3m 2f cn) 1, PAMBER PRIORY (G Rowe, 11-10 fav), 2, Secret Rite IP Hide, 5-1): 3, Sam Shorrock (Mr G Johnson Houghton, 11-2) ALSO RAN 7-2-Balyeden (pu), 10 Montgomery (4th), 40 Thats For Sure (pu), 6 ran 1%, 30, 5 1 Thomson Jones at Upper Lambourn Tota 21,90 61.10, 53,20 DF 64 50 CSF 56.79 C1.10, E3.20 OF E4 50 CSP- B8.79
S.30 (2m 61 110yd nde) 1, EARLY MAN
(Peter Hobbs, 9-1), 2, Somersauding (D
Castagher, 11-8 tav); 3, Howerystad (M
Richards, 7-4), ALSO RAN: 9-2 Eagle Bid
Isib), 12 Moyrsta House pui, 25 Lincoin
Leder (Linseated rider), 33 Letts Green
(pui, Arm In Arm (4th) 8 mn, 51, 201, ns, dist.
D Grissel at Heathfield, Tote C16 30, C2 40,
C1.20, E1.40. DF, E13.70. CSF- £22.65. Placepot: \$2.70.

Catterick Bridge Golng: good to soft

12.35 (2m indie) 1. NOTABLE EXCEPTION
(P Niven, 2-1 fav); 2. Sweet Noble (M
Dwyer, 6-11: 3, High Mind (C Grant, 10-1)
ALSO RAN: 3 Cheeke (Sih), 6 Maeter of The
Rock (4th), 12 Hau-Brion, 14 Brambles
Way (6th), 33 Saxon Fav, 50 Bhishing Gold
(f), Hot Tip. Boston Express, 11 ran, 194, 5,
gh Ind. 5, 44 Mins G Revetley at Settoun,
Total: 94 60, 12 60, 05 60, 17 70, DF,
11 86 (2m ch) 1, TRIMI OHIGH (N Mann, 1-4)

1.00 GST £1085.

1.05 (2m ch) 1, TRIMLOUGH (N Menn, 1-4 say), 2, Dizzy Dealer (S Taylor, 33-1); 3, Reel Lark (P Waggott, 14-1) ALSO RAN, 8 Boy Parrier (4th), 10 Old Mil Stream (µ1, 5 ran, 4), 15, 201, P Datton et Burton-On CSF: £7.76.

1.35 (2m hole) 1 SUNSET ROCK (M Dever, 4-5 fav); 2, Shrewd John (S Turner, 8-1), 3, Mythical Storm (P Niven, 11-2) ALSO RAN 4 Nouvelle Cutsme (I), 7 Saskia's Nero, 16 Why Not Equinare (Ein), 20 Favoured Victor (4th), 25 Dry Time, 50 Topformer, 68 Naval Raid, 100 Learned Star (Sh), 11 ran, 8, nk, 7, 11, 81 Jummy Fitzgerald at Matten, Total: £2.30; £2.30, £1.80, £2.50 DF £5 60 CSF £9 65. 2.05 (2m ch) 1, MEGA SLUE (D Byrne, 7-4 (av), 2, Just Frankie (P Nivon, 2-1); 3, Tresidder (R Garrity, 9-1), ALSO RAN, 11-2 Positive Action (4th), 7 Palm House (ur), 12

Frozen Minstrel (pu), 6 ran 4l, 5l, 15l Mrs V Aconley at Westow, Tote £2.30; £2.20, £2.20, DF; £3.50, CSF, £5.65, E2.20. DF: E3.50. CSF. E5.65.
2.35 (2m hdle) 1. COOL DUDE (P McWilliams, 9-1); 2. Dement (P Niven, 10-1), 3. Pm Fine (P A Farrell, 33-1), ALSO RAN' 2 lay into The Futura (4th), 4 Dolly Phoes, 5 Edward Lear (pulled up), 7 Varrianguch (5th), 10 Couger (8th), 20 Recording Contract (ro), Swift Carnage, 10 ran 1 Vil., 10L 31, 61, 41, J Johnson at Crook Tote 540; C1 50, C1 50, E3.60, DF, E23 50, CSF 528 10 Tricast (22,575 42 No bid 3.05 (3m 11 11) bud on 1 TRES AMERICS A. CSF 588 10 Tricest 52,575 42 No bid 3.05 (3m ft 110yd ch) 1. TRES AMBGOS (N Bentley, 9-2); 2. Bow Handy Men (P Waggon, 9-2), 3. Rare Fire (J Codd, 6-4 tay). ALSO RAN 4 Kilhallon Cestle (pu), 14 Furny Old Game (f), 16 Mapr Ran (4th), 20 Potaro Picker (pu), 25 Handy Trock (5th), 8 ran 12; 4, 30,4; 2 J Johnson at Crock Tote 57.20; 63.30, 67.10, 61.10 DF 619.20 CSF 623 75 Tricest 639.73 3.35 (2m) 1, VfENNA WOODS (W Dwan, 3-1); 2. Royel Cupid (N Bentley, 2-1 tay), 3. Indian Orahid (S Meson, 6-1) ALSO RAN, 7-2 Four Deep (4th), 14 Clerk Westchifl (6th), ingleby Piyer, 33 Jim's Jewel, 65 Didsbury Red, Goodhaavens Mrony, 11 ran 41, 21. 10, 214, 4. Jammy Pitzgerald at Mation Tote, 62.90; 61 90, 61 10, 63-60 DF, 64-30 CSF 53.10.

Placecot, £39.40. Guest injured Richard Guest is likely to be out of action for three months

after suffering a suspected

fractured femur at Wol-

verhampton yesterday. Guest was hurt when Wimborne fell

at the third last in the Pina

5-4 Another Episode, 9-2 Deceyburdors, 6-1 Mard Welcome, 7-1 Wery Direy, 10-1 Creche, Sir Tasker, 14-1 Sensolion, 20-1 others.

Colada Novices' Chase. Blinkered first time SOUTHWELL: 1.10 Henu, Don't Drop Bombs 1.40 Very Dicay 2.40 Swiftlet.

# Gloucester awaiting reaction on punch

By DAVID HANDS, RUGBY CORRESPONDENT

hear from Saracens before deciding whether to take further action over the incident during the game last Saturday between the clubs which left Marcus Hannaford, their scrum half, in hospital with a broken cheekbone.

Hannaford was punched from behind by a Saracens forward off the ball in the second half of the first division Courage Clubs Championship match at Kingsholm. He remained in hospital over the weekend, is unlikely to play for six weeks and, since he is self-employed, his livelihood may

Saracens were meeting last night to discuss the incident, which was seen on BBC 2's Rugby Special on Sunday.

"We are waiting to see how Saracens view it." Peter Ford, the Gloucester chairman, said. We must also see what Marcus feels about taking it fur-ther. He is in business on his own and has a problem there. It's a bit sad. We don't want this sort of thing in rugby, but we don't want to jump in with both feet until we have heard from Saracens."

Barney Richards, the secretary of Saracen, said his com-mittee would take "clear action" after they had considered the incident. "We don't condone things like that, but we like to think we have a good record in our first XV,"

Gloucester have a selection problem for their awkward third-round Pilkington Cup visit to Newcastle Gosforth

Two other scrum halves, Lloyd Gardiner and Laurie Beck, have been injured for most of this season, and Julian Davis, recently returned from Bristol, is ineligible for the cup metch. Damian Cummins, the centre, took over from Hannaford on Saturday and contributed to a 19-5 win.

The Middlesex disciplinary committee met last night for a final adjudication on the incident involving Simon Dear and Dean Ryan when Harlequins played Wasps in

September. Dear, the Hariequins lock, was left concussed and out of action for a month and Ryan was cited to appear under new

GLOUCESTER will wait to legislation relating to foul

The Welsh Rugby Union (WRU) has issued a stern reminder to supporters that their behaviour reflects on the national side. The WRU has looked at a video recording of an incident on Saturday. picked up by television cameras, which involved an exchange between David Campese and a teenager from Brynamman as the player walked off the field following Australia's defeat of Wales.

The youngster has written a letter, saying he was pushed in the crowd that swarmed onto the field and did not try to trip Campese; the letter will be given to the player before today's game between the Welsh Student Past and Present and the Australians at Bridgend.

Denis Evans, the WRU secretary, also criticised sup-porters who whistle and jeer when opposition players are kicking at goal. "It is the responsibility of all Welsh rugby followers, young and old, to act courteously, sportingly and with dignity and fairness when they are at club or representative matches," a Union statement said. ☐ The Australians have called

up reserves from Oxford and Cambridge universities for today's penultimate tour game against Welsh Students: David Dix, the lock now in his second year of post-graduate studies at Cambridge, part-ners Warwick Waugh in the second row, while Brendan Nasser, the Queensland flanker who is on a social studies course at Oxford, is a replacement.

Stanley Couchman, president of the Rugby Football Union in 1978-9, has died after a long illness. He was 79. Couchman was a lock forward and played in the war-time match for England/Wales against Scotland/Ireland.

□ Nigel Heslop, the England winger, is considering an approach by Oldham rugby

☐ The French federation's management committee will meet to discuss the position of the coach. Pierre Berbizier. Robert Papremborde, the team manager, has asked for Berbizier to be replaced.

league club.



Injury victim: McCoist may miss European Cup tie with Marseilles after breaking down in training

# **McCoist poses problem for Rangers**

By RODDY FORSYTH

RANGERS' preparations for their debut in the European Cup semi-final round-robin stage were disrupted yesterday when Ally McCoist broke down in training with a recur-rence of a calf injury. He first sustained the injury while playing for Scotland against Portugal last month, but he had been able to continue playing despite its continuing

The prolific forward, who has scored 33 goals in the World Cup, European Cup. Scottish league and Skol Cup this season, is a vital component in Rangers' present run

of good form and his loss would deal a profound blow to their chances of defeating Marseilles at Ibrox tomorrow night.
The Rangers manager,
Walter Smith, said yesterday:

"We are deeply concerned about Ally and we have to rate him as very doubtful to play, although we will see how things stand tomorrow. Stuart McCall will probably be all right to play because his groin trouble is clearing up, but Richard Gough, who has been out with a torn groin muscle, is more difficult to estimate. We will probably have to leave it to him to let us know how he feels

The injuries made it impossible for Smith to indicate the composition of his squad, which must not contain more than three foreign players. In an ideal world, he would probably prefer to field Stevens, Hateley and either Stevens ven or Gordon, depending on the former's fitness, but, if McCoist is absent, there is a case for playing Mikhail-

Steven, whose return to Rangers from Marseilles has been dogged by a series of injuries, is keen to play against his former club and he believes that the French champions are in some disarray

# Platt to undergo knee operation

said vesterday.

Gordon Durie, the Totten-

ham striker found guilty of a

misconduct charge by the

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ham Taylor, expects David Platt to be playing again before Christmas following a planned knee operation this week. Platt. the £6.5 million Juventus signing, enters an Italian clinic in the next couple of days to pinpoint the

Taylor is confident that Platt will be fully recovered long before England's next

**FOOTBALL** 

NEVILLE OVENDEN COMBINATION: Lu-

THE England manager, Gra-ham Taylor, expects David against San Marino at Wem-platt to be playing again bley on February 17. "Our December 16. The Scottish have his appeal heard on international received a threeunderstanding from Italy is that David will undergo a match suspension last month after being found guilty of feiguing injury at White Hart routine operation on a knee this week and that it is expected he will be fit to play Lane on August 19. Peter Reid is expected to within three weeks." Taylor

officially extend his relationship with Manchester City later this week by signing a four-year contract.

"Bernard Tapie, the owner of Marseilles, is obsessed with the idea of winning the Euro-pean Cup and when their league form became question-able a few weeks ago he made a typical decision to change things around," he said. had to laugh when I heard that the Marseilles coach Juan Fernandez, had stepped down because he needed a rest. Fernandez is 38 years old and he's being replaced by Raymond Goethals, who's

When the identity of the last eight in the European Cup was known, the French press rated Rangers and IFK Goth-enburg, the Swedish champions, as the easiest draws, especially since Marseilles beat Rangers 2-1 in a pre-season exhibition. According to Steven, Marseilles will be expected to come home with a

"The press will demand it and so will Bernard Tapie, but Steven said. "They know that Rangers will be a tougher proposition than when they met in the summer and I fully expect this to be a really exciting game, full of attacking play from both sides."

RUGBY UNION

REPRESENTATIVE MATCH; Scotlish Stu-dents 7, Oxford University 19 (et

CRICKET

# Patient Manjrekar maintains run of impressive form

FROM RICHARD STREETON IN BLOEMFONTEIN

SANJAY Manjiekar complettour here yesterday as the match between the Indians and the South African Invitation XI moved quietly to a draw. On a bland pitch and with the second Test match starting on Thursday, the touring team settled for useful

Big scores eluded Manirekar in Australia last season but he has been the mainstay of the Indians' batting on this tour. At times he rather taxed the patience, not least when he needed 45 minutes after lunch to move from 93 to his century. He finally got there with an edged drive for four near first slip's right hand.

right hand.

It was Manitekar's twelfth four and his only faulty stroke in a stay of just under five hours. The Indians promptly declared and left the Invitation XI an academic target of 344 at seven an over. Munshi played on to Sharma's fourth ball, leaving Yachad and Rushmere to join in an attractive stand

Yachad has always been a consistent scorer but at 32 his best years were probably lost during his country's isolation. He remains a sound stroke maker, though, happier against pace than spin. Rushmere, 27, played in the Test in Barbados last April and is still on the fringe of the Scuth African Test to the South African Test team. Hehas the mental resources to build a long innings and on this occasion he drove and cut

Meanwhile, two items from ed his third hundred of the the present round of Castle Cup matches need to be noted. Allan Lamb passed Barry Richards's record career ag gregate of 28,358 by a South African-born player in West-ern Province's game with Na-tal at Newlands. In Port Elizabeth the first

suspicion in South African domestic cricket of ball-tam-pering has been alieged. The ball used by Transvaal in Eastern Province's first innings was changed after an official complaint by the um-pires about its condition.

The ball and the umpires report have been sent to the South African Board to discuss at a meeting on Decem-ber 6; though officials refuse to confirm whether ball-tamper-ing is definitely involved. NOANSE First resign 250 (P K Arms 10), S V Machiner SS).

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# Following on in style

Sydney. The West Indians recovered from the embarrassment of their first innings to earn a draw with New South Wales in their four-day match

which ended yesterday.

Bowled out for 183 in their first innings, 290 runs behind, they followed on and tuned up for the opening Test match, which begins on Friday, by scoring 507 for nine declared.

Irrepressible knocks by the in-form Carl Hooper, with 124, and Gus Logie, who was dropped on 11, 20, 70 and 99 off 98 balls, steered the West Indians to safety and left New South Wales with no more than a mathematical target of 218 for victory from 16 overs.

They were 34 for one at the close (AFP)

SENIOR WOMEN'S CLUBS: Old

S M Small & Richardso M G Beven not out ..... P A Emery not out ..... FALL OF WICKET: 1-24.

C E L Ambrose c S R Waugh b Mai A C Cummins not out Beres (0 2, b 17, w 1, nb 4) .... FALL OF WICKETS: 1-23, 2-191, 3-208, 4-401, 5-444, 6-452, 7-461, 8-483, 9-607. -BOWLING: Holdsworth 11-0-80-1; Whitney 14-2-55-0; Alley 10-0-58-1; Matthews 49,3-12-148-4; S.R. Wauch 16-3-43-0; Freedman 19-4-64-1; Bevan 6-0-40-0.

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# POOLS FORECAST

MOST of the likely draws this week can be found in the lower half of the coupon, with Scotland providing five of them. Dunfermline Athletic, of the Scottish first division, have gone an astonishing 32 matches without a home score draw. The odds are that they will break the sequence against St Mirren, who are

challenging for promotion. Heart of Midlothian's eightgame unbeaten run should give them the confidence to get a point at Aberdeen, who are due for a draw anyway. In England, Bury and Northampton Town, of the third division, are poised to

end long sequences. Bury, 19

SEST DRAWS: Plymouth, Cardiff, Cartisle, Aberdeen, Durtermine AWAYS: Oxford, Port Vale, Stockport, West

arom, Barnet. HOMES: Liverpool, Notingham Forest,

games without an away score draw, can cause an upset by holding Cardiff City. Northampton, 16 matches without an away score draw, are taken to share the spoils against Carlisle United Northampton's defeat of the leaders, York City, has given them a There are few obvious away

selections. Barnet to win at Darlington is as near to a banker as you are going to get. Free-scoring Oxford United look a fair bet to beat Brentford and Port Vale can inflict more misery on Huddersfield Town. Stockport County and West Bromwich Albion make up the list of five.

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PREMIER LEAGLE A Vija v Norwich 1 Liverpool v C Palece 1 Man City v Totterfram 1 Nam F v South pton 1 Otchem v Middlestor 1 Sheff Litd v Coventry 2 Wimbledon v Sheff Wed Not on coupons: Arsenst v Manchester United. Black-burn v Queens Park Rang-ers: Chelsas v Leods (Sunday), lipswich v Sunday FIRST DIVISION X Barnsley v Charton 2 Brentord v Odord 1 Bretol C v Nors Co 1 Detby v Tranmere 1 Lecepter v Bretol R

t Bolton v Burntey 1 Bractiond C v Rotherhe 1 Braction v Fulkern 2 Hartiepond v Stockport 2 Hardi Tield v Port Vale 1 Hull v Blackpool l Hull v Blackpool 1 Leyton O v Mancheld X Plymouth v Boumenno 2 Preson v Wost Brom 1 Reading v Exerc 1 Stoler v Swarseg Notion coupons: Chester ( Wigan (Friday) THERD DIVISION K Cardiff v Bury K Carlisle v North plan X Canse v North pan 2 Darlington v Barnet 1 Heißex v Chestifeld 2 Heisland v Colorester 1 Lincoln v Gillingham 1 Rochdale v Doncaster TREBLE CHANCE (home teems). Bents-tey, Southerd, Plymouth, Cardill, Carliste, Scunthorpe, Welling, Aberdaen, Mother-wos, Gumbarton, Dunfermiline, Benerick.

Wattord (Sunday), Peter-berough v Swindon (Sunday)

SECOND DIVISION X Aberdeen v Hearts 1 Dundee U v Airdne 1 Fallork v S Johnstine 2 Hiberman v Celtic X Motherwell v Dundee

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Sheffield United, Bristol City, Newcastle, Brighton, Hust, Lincoln, Walsall, Fam-borough, Rangers, Kilmerrock. FDCED ODOS: Homes: Liverpool. Newcestle, Hull, Fernborough, Flangers. Assays: Bernet, Yeovil, Ayr Draws: Cariste.

☐ Vince Wright

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WORLD CUP: Concacal qualifying round:
Group A: Mesco 4, Costa Ries 0; S: Vincent 0, Hondures 4, Group B: S: Selvedor 2, Jameiaca 0, Women's NATIONAL LEAGUE CUP: Second round: Red Star Southerround 0, Knowsley United 1; Wirnbledon 4, Noting-harn Angive 0; Sunderland 0, Desnot Line 5. Other maches postponed.
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Sheny, 75; J Milligan, 75), Others; 597; treland (Tamone), 616; Wales (Llarwern), Individual; 278; F Velers (Sp), 68, 70, 67,
72, 294; K Vanola (Fin), 73, 71, 72, 68, 297;
G Wolsterholma (Eng), 72, 71, 73, 68, 298;
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NATIONAL TROPHY SERIES: Second sound (Moherhampton, 12 miles): 1, 5 Douce (Sanzee Cycles), thr 6min 20sec; 2, 8 Clarke (Fearn Releigh), 1:06.28, 3, D Balver (Gearn Releigh), 1:07.55, Overalt, 1, Douce 60 pts. 2, 8 Hammond (MC Bad), 63: 3, C Young (Fearn Orange), 59.

CLUB EVENTS: Rechill CC (Dorking, 12 miles): 5 Dermes (East Grisslead CC), 1:03.12 Poole Wineslear (Carlord Magna, 12 miles): J Samways (Bournemouth Jubilee Will, 9912 Martiny CC (Phydycar Leisure Centre, 8 miles): M James (CC Abergasempy), 52:10. Bristol RC Mestion Court, 8 miles): L Davis (Bournemouth Arrow), 53:17. Lincoln Wineslers (South Common, 10 miles): S Keeton (Rutland CO, 57:50 Nowith ABC (Bournorpe, 10 miles): M Facrow (Fernand), 4:70.2 Overall (after three events): Farrow 76 pts. Derwent Valley ATC (Belper Darbys, 9 miles), D Genestand (Hotzon Lurrs, Sunderland, 10 miles) R 2day (Actington RC), 15:13. Bronte Wineslers (Haront, Wils Yorks), 54:29. Wetwer Valley CC (Ruthon, 10 miles): J Shackleton (Elevason RT), 55:00. ENGLISH COUNTIES LEAGUE: First divi-sion: Kent 45, Birminghem 58; Hampehire North 43, Essex Met 53; Middlesex 23, Bedfordshire 33, Surrey 66, Heritordshire 60. Second division: Humbarside 35, East Essex 3, Nottinghamehire 24, West York-THOUSAND CAKS, California: Shark Shootout (US unless stated): 191; T Kite and D Love III, 65, 67, 59, 192; N Proce (2m) Kite: joint winner in California tournament HFS LOANS LEAGUE: Premier div 7.30 unless saled First-round replay

Port Vale v Stoke (all ticket, 7.45) ... Anglo-Italian Cuo Bari v Porterrouth... Cosenza v Derby...... Pisa v Bristol City...... Tranmere v Cremonese. West Ham v Reggiene (7.45). GM Vaudhall Conference Merthyr v Woking ..... Scottish League Premier division

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KONICA LEAGUE CUP: Prefirmery round: Alan Lido v Aberystwyth: Bengor v Llandides; Holywell v Mold. ALLERIGHT Britter WELSH CUP; Faunth round: Herstord v Wresham. POINTINS CENTRAL LEAGUE: Pirst division: Manchester City v Sheffeld Unision: Manchester City v Sheffeld Unision: Stotherham v Leads (7.0): Stother Wed v Liverpool (7.0): Second division: Eventon v Bradford (7.0): Grimsby v Hull (7.0).

NORTHERN COUNTIES EAST LEAGUE: Premier division: Belper v Sheffield. REPRESENTATIVE MATCH: Footbell Association XI v Diadora League (AL ST Albars City FC). RUGBY UNION

HOCKEY

WEST WOMEN'S LEAGUE: Cheltenham 0, Gloucester 0

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shire 27; Mid Hampehire 45, Chashire 40. Third division: Warevictathire 42, Lancashire 54; Shropshire 31, South Staffordshire 48; Darbyshire 42, South Yorkshire 31. Laughtoniens O, Chermstond 6.
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PRESTON: Royal Liver Assurance UK (Thei) leads M Heliatt (Eng), 7-1; J Swell (N ing) leads D O'Karre (NZ), 5-3. YACHTING

EPITISH STEEL CHALLENGE: Leading positions (at 15.00 GMT yesterday, with raiser to Hober's: 1, Nuclear Electric (J. Chibardoni, 6,376 MBes; 2, Commercial Union (R Membresther), 6,521; 3, Coopers & Lybrard (V Chenry), 6,521; 4, Hofbrau Lager (P Grand), 6,552; 5, Phora-Poulenc (P Philipp), 6,557; 6, Health Insured (A Doctoveril, 6,552; 7, Intemprisy (P Jeffect), 6,577; 9 Factor of Telesackie (I MacCallaresy, 6,578; 9 Factor of Sector of Telesackie (I MacCallaresy, 6,578; 9 Factor of Telesackie (I MacCallaresy), 6,561. ICE HOCKEY

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# Wattana in no mood to waver

A series of breaks and a woefully out-of-touch opponent helped James Wattana to build a commanding 7-1 firstsession lead over Mike Hallett in their best-of-17-frame fifthround match at the £375,000 Royal Liver Assurance United Kingdom championship in Preston yesterday. Wattana was always in con-

trol as he enhanced his chances of becoming the first overseas winner of the title in the 16-year history of the tournament. He produced a 136 total clearance and is the front runner for the £5,000 televised highest break prize. Havoc at sea

The Pampero winds of Argentina continue to play havoc with the British Steel Challenge round-the-world race fleet yesterday, blasting some yachts out of control and

leaving others nearly Appeal starts

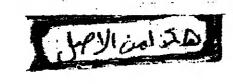
Commonwealth Games The

Commonwealth Games Council for England yesterday launched an appeal for £500,000 to send its team to the 1994 Games, in Victoria, Canada, from August 18 to

Losing start

Cricket: The New Zealanders opened their tour losing by 17 runs to a Sri Lanka Board XI in Matara yesterday. The Board XI scored to 181 for seven in 45 overs, but the tour team got only 164 in reply.

Fisher in charge Rugby league: Doncaster yesterday dismissed their coach, Geoff Morris, and his assistant, Kevin Parkhouse, blaming poor results. Tony Fisher has taken charge.



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BBC1

6.00 Ceefax (36540) 5.30 Breakfast News (98867163)
9.05 Kilroy Topical discussion with Robert Kilroy-Silk (3146279)
9.45 Ross King, With Statan Dennis of Neighbours (s) (5569521)
10.00 News, regional research weather (7465328) 10.05 Playdays. For

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children (r) (s) (5788637)

10.30 Good Morning . . . with Anne and Nick. Anne Diamond and Nick Owen present interviews. phone-in advice, horoscopes and Ltz Earle on how to eat yourself beautiful. Including at 11.00, 12.00 News, regional news and weather (42216328) 12.15 Pebble Milli. Judi Spiers talks to Bill Waddington. Coronation Street's Percy Sugden, and Damen Little, author of the book Weatherfield Life (s) (9906837) 12.55 Regional news and weather (78038368)

1.00 One O'Clock News with Philip Hayton. (Ceefax) Weather (82434) 1.30 Neighbours. (Ceefax) (s) (42236328)

1.50 Going for Gold The European quiz with Henry Kelly (42230144) 2.15 Snooker. David Vine presents further coverage of the Royal Liver Assurance UK championship from the Guildhall in Preston (760434) 3.50 Children's BBC: Harum Scarum. Children's picture books (s) (1320892) 4.00 Furmybones. Ghoulish animation (s) (9980786) 4.05 Spacevets Science-fiction comedy series (2608750) 4.20 The Chipmunks (f) (1153665) 4.35 Artifax. A new series on how to appreciate design. (Ceefax) (s) (8327892) 5.00 Newsround (2565163) 5.05 Byker Grove. Children's drama series (6712453) 5.35 Neighbours (f). (Ceefax) (s) (366778). Northern Ireland. Inside Ulster children (r) (s) (5768637)

6.00 Sbx O'Clock News with Peter Sissons and Anna Ford. (Ceelar) Weather (347) 6.30 Regional news magazines (927). Northern Ireland: Neighbours

(r). (Ceefax) (s)
7.00 Telly Addicts Noel Edmonds hosts the last quarter-final in the search for this year's winning family of couch polatoes (s) (3873)



Reopening time: Letitia Dean as landledy Sharon (7.30pm)

7.30 EastEnders. The returbished Queen Vic opens its doors for the first time since the fire. Starring Letitia Dean. (Ceefax) (3) (811)
8.00 Citizen Smith. Cornedy starring Robert Lindsay as the Tooting anarchist (r) (Ceefax) (2521). Northern Ireland: Go for it
8.30 A Question of Sport. David Coleman hosts another round of sporting trivia. On Bill Beaumont's team is the cricketer Viv Richards and the Arsenal and England footballer fan Wright. Ian Botharn is joined by Will Carling, the England rugby union captain, and the trish boxer Michael Carruth. (Ceefax) (8328)
9.00 Nine O'Clock News with Martyn Lewis. (Ceefax). Regional news and weather (1250)

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9.30 Kinsey: Drop Shot. In tonight's episode of the drama series Leigh Lawson's maverick lawyer has to identify a blackmailer before a drop in Spain. (Ceetax) (s) (386057) Wales: Week in Week Out (17279): 10 00 Kinsey (706057)
10.25 Inside Story Special: The Informer
● CHOICE: Not many people who inform on the IRA to the British securify forces tive to tell the tale and even fewer give interviews on television, indeed this engressing film claims to be a first. Michael (not his real name) was recruited by the RUC Special Branch when he was 17 and later persuaded to step up his activities by jorning an IRA active service unit in Belfast. There followed a precarious double life. On the one hand Michael was taking part in an IRA cell.

double life. On the one hand Michael was taking part in an IRA cell that was murdering soldiers and bornbing the centre of Belfast. At the same time his tip-offs to the RUC aborted several IRA attacks and saved many lives. But the IRA became suspicious and Michael was convinced he would be killed. Now in hiding, he tells his story to John Ware. The film throws remarkable light on a little-known area of the Northern Ireland tragedy (685106). Wales: 10.55 Inside Story (600434)

(800434)
11.15 Snooker. Round five of the UK champlonship (918340). Northern Ireland: Country Times (498569); 11.40 Citizen Smith (702434). Wates. 11.45 Rugby Special Wates (787502)
12.05am Weather (9252125) 12.10 Close. Northern Ireland: (to 1.00) Snooker (3828274). Wates. 12 20-1.10 Snooker (3824458)
2.15 BBC Select: Executive Business Club — PR Action; 3.15 Legal Network Television Preview (644019). Ends at 3.45

BBC2

8.00 Breakfast News (4229705) 8.15 Westminster (8573960) 9.00 Daytime on Two Educational programmes (23525618) 2.00 News and weather followed by You and Me (r) (52583873)
2.15 Arthur Negus Enjoys. The annouse expert visits a traditional Colswold-style manor house in Gloucestershire (r) (70974095).

2.30 See Hear! Clive Mason reports on the Type Talk service. With signing and subutles (r) (s) (960) 3.00 News and weather (9022618) followed by Westminster Live including prime minister's questions (7509511) 3.50 News, regional news and weather (1328434)

4.00 Snooker. The filth round of the Royal Liver Assurance Ulchampionship from the Guildhall, Preston (92618) 5.30 Film '92 with Barry Norman. Includes reviews of Spike Lee's

Malcolm X, Ridley Sout of Blade Runner and O! Mice and Menstaring John Malkovich (r) (s) (796)
6.00 Film: Fatr Wind to Java (1953) Routine high seas adventure as captain Fred MacMurray and pirate Robert Douglas race towards the volcanic island of Krakatoa and a horde of diamonds Directed by Joseph Kano (1981). by Joseph Kane (35811)

7.30 Top Gaar Rally Report. Bame Gill provides the commentary as the drivers in the Lombard RAC rally reach the half-way stage and head towards the Lake District (633163)

7.45 Assignment: Star Wars — The Next Generation David Shukman reports on a proposed military collaboration between the United States and Russia to build a space shield against the growing threat of Scud missiles (523144)
8.30 Food and Drink: With Christmas just around the corner, Oz Clarke and Jill Goolden recommend the best sweet wines. Michael Barry makes spiced ice-cream with lime sauce and there is a trip to Utster

for a reel than stew (s) (9298) Quantum Leep. The officer time-travel sames starring Scott Bakula, who leaps back to 1985 and into the body of a nightclub pranist. (Ceefax) (s) (534231)



John'll fix it: Harvey-Jones talks to a Norton biker (9.50pm)

Troubleshooter 2: A Hell of a Big Purit.

CHOICE: Sir John Harvey-Jones of the gaudy ties and bellowing laugh is the Anneka Rice of British industry, offering instant tipes to apparently intractable problems. In torught's film he faces one of his apparently intractable problems. In torught's firm he taces one of his buggest challenges to date as he times to breathe the kiss of life into the troubled Norton motorcycle company. The programme follows the familiar routine, as Sir John visits the factory, chaits with executives and declares in his deceptively genial way that he is appalled by what he has seen. Undeurited by homendous debts and annual sales of less than 100 machines a year, Norton's new management team reveal their bold new expansion plans. Sir John tellig them the situation is harms and expects. tells them the situation is barmy and suggests immediate liquidation. This may not be much comfort for Norton but it makes

inquidation. This may not be much control for Notion but it makes another wonderfully entertaining programme. (Ceefax) (550705) 
10.30 Newshight with Jeremy Pazman (599989) 
11.15 The Late Show. The arts and media show (s) (285434) 
11.55 Behind the Headtines. John Diamond's guests are LBC Radio's Richard Littlejohn, the singer and actress Toyah Willcox and Brenda Maddox, the biographer and Dally Telegraph columnist. Tonight's subjects include Hitler's paintings and a holiday in Croatia (799960)

12.25am Weather (2453632)
12.30 Top Gest Raity Report. A review of the day's action as the Lombard RAC raity arrives in Carlisle (5964922). Ends at 12.50

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14789618: 9.55 Thames News (5744057)
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10.35 This Morning Richard Maddeev and Ludy, Fin gan present the magazine show from Liverpoot's Attent Door Tookist guesting Philip Schokleid, who is appearing in wasein and the Amazing Technicolar Dreamcoat Arrie Assistant oriens to and a fine and there is consumer advice from desirca Daules including 10.55 ITN News headlines 11.55 Thames News and waster 50139627; 12.10 Playbox Early learning sense in the Daughter 12.10 Playbox Early learning sense in the Daughter Tookie Tookie Tusselet (Oracle) Weather (3721366) 1.05 Thames News (582556278) 1.15 Home and Away, Dramas in Summer Ball, Drade (374057)

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2.15 Heirfoom John Bly's guest is Hoar, May land identifies and values automate and toys (293637)

2.45 Families Soap linking the north of England with Australia to (3275124) 3.10 ITN News responses (\$23754 3.15 Thames 3.20 The Young Doctors. Hospital grafts senes (35,19434 3.50 Children's ITV: Fraggle Rock Purper to 194410445, 4.05 The Raggy Dolls Canoon (9985105, 4.15 Mike and Angelo (4288618) 4.40 Children's Ward (018018) is 6485183

5.10 Blockbusters The general knowledge guarant reenagers nosted by Bob Holness (8706892)

5.40 ITN Early Evening News with John Stather Create, Weather (223989; 5.55 Thames Help in 645076)

6.00 Home and Away (1), (\*\*Oracle) (\*\*15) 6.30 Thames News (645) 

arrival of Charte's Auritie's Unite Starting the Vitaarin Brana Weston and Honor Blackman is 18734

9.00 Boom: Whispering Grass: Correct/prame series staming Michael Elphick as the hapless private investigator wen and Foory time themselves in an explosive situation when Alex fars in oue. With Net Momssey Saskia Wickham and David Daver Cradie is (5559) 10.00 News at Ten with Trevor McDonald (Crade) Weather (71959) 10.30 Thames News (734873)



Outrageous: Jack Nicholson as an evil caretaker (10.40pm)

10.40 Film: The Shining (1980) Stanley Kubnck's polished overblown adaptation of the ghost story by Stephen king Jack Nicholson mugs outrageously as the caretaker of a remote mountain hotel who is possessed by an evil force and terronses his wife Shelley

Duvall and son Danny Lloyd (86507231)

1.25am Video View. Manella Frostrup reviews Rapid Fire, Ridley Scott's cut of Blade Runner and Ruby (2981800)

2.25 The Equalizer: The Child Broker Edward Woodward helps a boy

who is forced to steal by a Fagin-like character (5187477)

3.25 Donahue. Secretaries talk to Phil about the risk of having an affair ith the boss (3198729)

4.15 60 Minutes. American news magazine (9534767)
5.06 The Twillight Zone: Memories A regression therapist finds that the subconcious harbours unexpected dangers (#1 (1153651)
5.30 ITN Early Morning News (24922), Ends at 6.00

CHANNEL 4

6.00 Cartoons (96255) 7.00 The Big Breakfast (72657) 9.00 You Bet Your Life Game show with Bill Costy (5) -81356)

9.30 Schools (137795)
12.00 The Parliament Programme, presented by Anne Parkins (61502)

12.30 Sesame Street Early learning series (95124) 1.30 Take 5 For under-fixes (12724) 2.00 Film: Gold Diggers of 1937 (1936, 5.W) The final musical in the

aties over as director, leaving Busby Borkeley in charge of the dance numbers (517279) 3.50 Quinoscopios. Carroons by Curro, animated by the Cuban film-

Gold Diggers series, starring Dick Forrell and Joan Blondell, It is a

lightweight piece but with the usual polish and varve. Lloyd Bacon,

maker Juan Padron (1913502) 4.00 Family Pride Asian grams series (s) (908) 4.30 Fifteen to One William G. Stewart hosts the duick-fixe quiz (s) (892)

5.00 Crawshaw Paints Oits Alrayo Crawshaw compostrates ways of starting an oil painting (65-7) 5.30 If Wishes Were Horses The horse-riding sense ends with coubbys in action on Dude Banch. Wyoming (s) (144)

6.00 Remote Control Anthon; H Wilson pursues iterial questions Telefesti (s) (647)

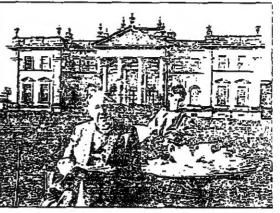
6.30 Roseanne Wisecracking American comedy to (637) 7.00 Channel 4 News with Jon Show (Teleter), Weather (607273)
7.50 Comment. Sarah Zebaida believes that the government should provide business incentives to encourage people to eat more from and regotables (883231)

8.00 People First: Interesting Times: Disabled people are falling by the wayside as Foland shandons its welfare state, along with communism. But they are lighting back. (Teletein) (5231),
8.30 The Feast of Christmas: The Case for Christmas.

 CHOICE Christmas comes early to television with this five-part series posted by the food and wine writer. Paul Levy. Food and drink. are indeed at the heart of the project as Lew and guests offer new languous of familiar themes. Sprout naters in particular will retrained to transition metrics option mains in particular and welcome his wew that it is a boring vegetable which needs a radical retraint. But has main concern tonight is with the wider injust of Christimas reminding us how much of this supposedry Christian festival owes its trappings to pagan traditions. The Puntan Cromwell actually banned the delebration for this reason learning Charles Dickens and the victorians to recreate the lestive season as we now ender of So much for background evolution in the remaining programmes Lary promises to go through the Christmas dinner course by course (4366).

9.00 Without Walls: The Turner Prize 1992. Established in 1964, the

Turner Prize is Britain's most soughi-after award for the visual aris. This year's contenders are Greniville Davey, Carmen Hirst, David Tremiett and Alison Wilding Emma Freud pracents live coverage of the presentation from London's Tate Gallery (827455), Followed at 9.45 c. Photo Romans: Glasgow — The Return In this short firm heir is croupler's taxi runs over a down-and-out, who may or ma, no: se her long-lost proteer (201434)



Class wars: Michael Hordern as Lord Crewne (10.00pm)

10.00 Film: Diamond Skulls (1989). Flashy thriller staming Gabnel Byrne as an anatocrat who is convinced that his wife (Amanda Donohoe). is having an affair. Co-stars Michael Hordern Directed by Nich Broomfield (Teletext) (460989)

11.35 Brass: Bradley Gets on Top Spool comedy starring Timothy
West as a despotic munitions factory owner (r) (s) (781328)
12.10am Daughters of the Country: Places Not Our Own Third of a

four-part senes of dramas from Canada about the Metis (2924583) 1.15 Film: Forget-Me-Not (1936, b.w). Minor romantic musical in which Joan Gardner falls for Benjamino (Sigli on board ship. Directed by Zoltan Forda and Stanley Irving (7062835) Ends at 2.30

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SCOTTISH

Maggie Cole, fortepiano, perform Kreutzer's Sonala in A minor, Op 17 No 3, and Beethoven's Sonala in A, Op 47 (Kreutzer)

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3.30 A Century of Brass and
Wind: Paul Hindmarsh
Introduces wind and brass
music from the past 100 years.

Around the World 4.30 Mysteries of the Hammond 5.00 In Tune. with Anthony Burlon 7.30 South Bank Purcell Project:

Orchestra of the Age of Enkightenment under Gustav Leonhardt with Julia Gooding

and Donna Deam, sopranos,

Michael Chance and Christopher Robson, countertenors, John Elwes,

Johnson, baritone, Purcell:

Love's goddess sure was blin this day. 8.25 Bruce Wood

explores the professional relationship between Purcell and Dryden 8.35 Purcell:

talks and programmes of his music. Psalm IV (John Alldis

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Masque from Dioclesian 9.25 Words: with Corrad Russell

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# RADIO 3

6.55am Weather 7.00 On Air with Andrew
MacGregor, Vivaldi (Concerto
in G RV575 Taverner Players

under Andrew Parrott): Walton (Johannesburg Festival Overture, London Philharmonic under Bryden Thomson); Spohr (Double Quartet No 1 in Diminor, Op 65 Academy of St Martin Chamber Ensemble) 9.00 Composer of the Week. Purcell — The Theatre Music. Suite. The Gordian Knot

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10.00 Morning Sequence
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plano), Beethoven (Symphony
No 2 in D: Chamber Crichestra of Europe under Nikolaus Hamoncourti; Prokohev Sarcasms, Op 17, El Virsaladze, pianoi; Schumann Part 3 Wandsworth School Choir, Addeburgh Festival Singers, English CO under Benjamin Rinten unto Color Scenes from Goethe's Faust. Benjamin Britten, with Peter Pears, tenor, as Pater Ecstaticus, Robert Lloyd, bass, as Pater Profundus, Jennifer Vyvyan soprano, as Angel and Dietrich Fischer-Deskau.

barrione, as Doctor Mananus) 12.00 Bach from Utrecht (r) 1.00pm News 1.05 Uister Orchestre Adrian Leaper conducts Stravinsky's

Four Norwegian Moods. Roussel's Cello Concertino, Op 57 and Poulenc's Sinfonietta With Richard Lester, cello (1) 2.00 BBC Singers: Bo Holten conducts Wert's Vox in Rama: Ascendenté Jesu in naviculam Egressus lesus, and Holten's Three Latin Motets (r)

2.35 Classical Violin Sonatas:

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Chorr under John Aldis); Fugue on the notes of Psalm IV. Romanza on the notes of Psaim IV (Goldberg Ensemble under Malcolm Layfield) 10.45 Night Waves: As a new production of Thomas Dekker's The Honest Whore is staged by the 606 Theatre Company, Kate McLuskie considers differences in approach to popular and efite culture between Dekker's time (the 17th century) and our own 11.30 Russian Connections: Gerard McBurney presents the less of four programmes of Russian orchestral music. Borodin (In the Steppes of Central Asia: St Louis SO

Overture, Prince loor Polovisian Dances, Prince Igor LSO under Georg Sofu); Tchaikovsky (The Tempest: Bournemouth SO under Andrew Litton)
12.30-12.35em News
1.00-2.25 Night School (Except in Scotland. As broadcast this morning on R5)

2.30-3.10am Night School Extra

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Daily Service (LW only)
10.15 Paradise Lost (LW only): (15
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10.30 Woman's Hour: reports on deaths and injuries on construction sites, discusses with the Fanny Adams group the lack of authibition space given to female artists, and talks to Dilly Keene from Fascinating Arde, Incl 11.00 Moves.

News 11.30 Medicine Now Live 12.00 You and Yours with Roisin McAuley 12.25pm My Music (s) 12.55

Weather
1.00 The World at Ons
1.40 The Archers 1.55 Shipping

Forecast

2.00 News; Thirty-Minute
Theetre: Just Another Case,
by Richard Divon (s)

2.30 Richard Baker Compares
Notes with Julian Filer and
Martha Caphn — founder and
leader of the conductoriess
Orpheus Chamber Orchestra
celebrating its Iwentieth
anniversary this year (s)

3.00 A Perspective for Living (FMI
only): Bel Mooney talks to
Clare Short MP about how she
coped with her father's death
3.30-4.00 Punters (FMI only) with
Susan Marting
3.00 Prime Minister's Questions
(LW only)

RADIO 4

4.45 Short Story: A Glowing Future by Ruth Rendell read by Elizabeth Bell 5.00 PM 5.50 Shipping Forecast 5.55 Weather 6.00 Str O'Clock News 6.30 Georgy Girl: Margaret Forster's sixties novel (final)

part) (s) (r) 7.00 News 7.05 The Archers (s)

the Chancellor's recently-announced housing measures? Some 20,000 private homes are to be bought up by the housing corporation and local authorities will be allowed to spend the proceeds from council house sales on capital projects such as the building of houses 8.00 Science Now (r)

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8.45 in Touch

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11.00 The Radio Programme.

Laurie Taylor looks at traffic (LW only) 4.00 News
4.05 Kaleidoscope reviews Nick-Tosches's Hollywood fantasy book based around the life of Information on the radio (r) 11.30 Today in Parliament 12.00-12.43am News incl 12.27 Dean Martin and visits an Weather 12.33 Shipping 12.43 As World Service (LW only) exhibition of Juan Brossa's work called "Words Are

7.20 File on 4: How will people queuing for homes in the public sector be affected by

8.30 Worse Things Happen at CHOICE Unlike Petrarch. who climbed a mountain in Provence and read St Provence and read St Augustine on its peak to justify his exploit as a metaphor for a journey of the soul, fan Mchityre says his own ascent of a French Alp produced only sches and peins and resentment at being overtaken by a Frenchman with a grey beard. McIntyre's feelings about climbers chime more with Ruskin's ("They use mountains like soaped poles

9.15 Kaleidoscope (s) (r) 9.45 The Financial World Tonight with Roger White (s) 10.00 The World Tonight with Vexander MacLood (s) 10.45 A Book at Bedtime: Run of

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9,35 Wordplay 9,45 Singing Together 10,05 Time to Move 10,25 Wogly Pair 10,30 Johnnie
Walter 12,30pm Winters' Weekly 1,00 News Update 1,10 1,3,3,5 1,25 9FSS Worldwide
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## WORLD SERVICE

### A40 Travel & Weather News 4.45 Programmes in German 5.00 Europe Today 5.39 Weather 6.00 World & Brush News 6.14 Travel News 6.15 The World Today 6.30 Programmes in German 5.30 Europe Today 5.39 Weather 6.00 World & Brush News 6.14 Travel News 6.15 The World Today 6.30 Programmes in French 6.39 Weather 7.00 Newsdesk 7.30 New Ideas 7.39 Set, Mustand Vinegar Proper 8.00 World News 8.09 World 6.15 Fash 8.15 Concert Hall 8.00 World News 9.05 World 6.00 Newsdesk 6.00 Newsdesk 7.10 News 9.30 The Learning World 9.45 Sports Roundup 1.00 Newsdesk 12.90 Travel News 11.00 BBC English 11.45 Mintagsmega.nn 11.59 Susmess Up Jare 12.00 World News 12.00 World News 11.00 BBC English 11.45 Mintagsmega.nn 11.59 Susmess Up Jare 12.00 World News 12.00 World News 12.00 World News 4.00 World News 4.00 Japon News 6.00 Newsdesk 6.30 Programmes in German 8.00 World News 4.00 World News 9.00 The World Today 8.25 Newsdesk 6.30 Programmes in German 8.00 World Newsdesk 6.30 Programm

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Newcomers guilty of irregular payments

# Barnet are fined £50,000 by League tribunal

THE Football League yester-day fined Barnet £50,000 for failing to keep proper finan-cial records and for irregular payments to players. Stan Flashman, the club chairman. who was involved with a scuffle with a photographer from the Daily Mirror before and a cameraman from The Sun after the hearing, de-dined to comment as he left the hotel in London.

Stanley Beller, the club sol-icitor, said that the fine was excessive and that Barnet League tribunal. He described the offences as "technical".

The three-man enquiry — Gordon McKeag, the League president, John Reames and Terry Robinson, the chairmen of Lincoln City and Bury said that there were "serious breaches" of regulations "and they must be treated as such".

The club has also been warned about its future behaviour. In a written statement, the League said: "That behav-iour will be monitored by a further book inspection at the end of April."

This is the latest financial setback this season for the third division dub. which is believed to be losing £2,000 aweek and whose players

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earlier this month because of an alleged shortfall in their

The club, though, has always had hanging over it the five months of investigation by the Football League which came to a climax yesterday. The commission recommended that the transfer embargo should be lifted as soon as the League received formal confirmation that all players wages have been paid up to date.

The League also decided that the performance bond, which Barnet handed over on entry into the Football League at the beginning of last season to guarantee the payment of players wages, will be continued until after the book

The commission added that it did accept that there were a

tors", not least that Barnet are

On arrival at the Metropole Hotel, Flashman allegedly told Dale Cherry, of the Daily will smash that camera over your head." Flashman then ran towards Cherry and the pair briefly grappled before the Barnet chairman was ushered away by his advisers.

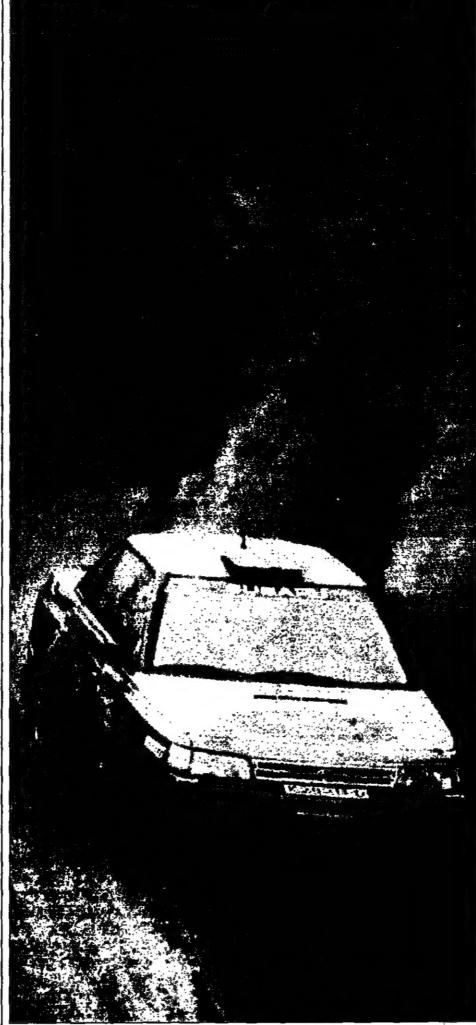
In the second incident, Paul Welford, of The Sun, approached Flashman in the hotel car park. Welford said that the Barnet chairman grabbed him and caught the photographer's lip with his

Flashman is no stranger to comments on BBC Radio 5 -The supporters don't matter as far as I'm concerned; they just pay their entrance fee," he said — were seen by some as outrageous, by others merely typical of a man who had alienated himself from the public and who would never be able to shed the image popularised by the tabloid

Flashman arrived in north London, he was hailed as a saviour. Creditors, including Inland Revenue, were paid off as he bought a controlling interest in the club, and a team that was going nowhere suddenly had the finance to aim

for the top.

Three times in four seasons Barnet finished second in the GM Vauxhall Conference before they achieved their goal of a place in the Football League.



Cutting corners McRae weaves his way through the Welsh forests yesterday

# McRae leaves rally rivals in his wake

By STEPHEN SLATER

COLIN McRae powered through the forests of north Wales yesterday to return to the Lombard RAC Rally. To the delight and occasion-

apporters. McRae attacked the ien treacherous stages on the second day in speciacular style, cutting corriers and four-ing his Subaru Legacy to set five fastest stage times and erhand the Toyota of Carlos the head of the field. McRae, 24. from Scotland

had left Chester at 5 o'clock yesterday morning in third place, 25 seconds behind the Ford Sierra Cosworth of Miki Biasion. Almost immedately he was on the attack, moving ahead of Biasion on the first special stage, then setting the fastest times on the Myherin and Hafren stages to reduce the Spanjard's lead to

Samz fought back as the cars entered the rally's thirteenth stage, at Pamperthog. A storming drive in torrential rain saw Sainz extend his lead by two seconds, but as the cars started the two 15-mile sec-tions in the Dyfi Forest, one of the fastest and most spectacular rallying locations in the world, McRae stepped up a

ship rally cars, McRae's Subaru made an exhibirating sight as it blasted down the stage to the cheers of his supporters, many of whom had been forced to walk more than five miles in atrocious weather. The car was visibly faster than the opposition, and the gruff exhaust note of the turbo-charged flat-four engine echned around the valley.

McRae never let up, sliding into the final right-hand corner at over 80mph with the over the edge of a 50% drop as he pulled the car through the corner. The tache - known as "ditch-hooking" - worked. McRae gained a nine second advantage over Sainz on the first stage, then beat him by seven seconds to take the overall lead.

his lead to 12 seconds, but a late charge by Sainz closed the gap in the final stages. McRae's advantage had been cut to just two seconds as the cars returned to Chester.

McRae seemed unflusiered by the proximity of the former thing's very good," he said. quicker, but I'm trying to ke going at our current nace an stay where we are.

I'd have some tyre marks to follow through the forest. It's the first time I've led the full world raily championship

I intend to stay there." McRae's performance was matched by that of his youn-ger brother. Alister, who of his Ford Sierra Cosworth. Other British drives fared less well Malcolm Wilson

dropped to fourteenth place on the opening stage when the turbo-charger and then the transmission of his Ford Sierra Cosworth gave trouble. The Cumbrian driver continued after rapid work by the Ford mechanics and ended the day in eighth place. Gwyndaf Evans also limped to the finish in

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# Eubank turns abuser friendly

By SRIKUMAR SEN, BOXING CORRESPONDENT

CHRIS Eubank will be having his tenth world title bout when he defends his World Boxing Organising supermiddleweight title against Juan Carlos Giménez, of Paraguay, in Manchester on Saturday. Not bad going for a man who has always said that boxing is a barbarous sport.

"He is a gangster," Eubank

hand is being forced by the tax

man. He does not allow me to

Having made close on £2 million from the sport, he could go on boxing for ACROSS: 1 Sequestration 8 Pride 9 Oxonían 10 How 11 Ratio 12 Earshot 14 Bunsen 16 Cattle 20 Nacelle 23 Taxed 24 Lye 25 Airdrop 26 Macon 27 Transmittable another two years. Not particularly because of change of DOWN: 1 Superabundant 2 Quieten 3 Eyehole heart, rather that the unbeaten champion has come across the one person he cannot beat -

4 Trowel 5 Amour 6 Irish 7 Non attendance 13 Sot 15 Sue 17 Attempt 18 Taxicab 19 Delphi the tax man. WINDING MOYE said yesterday in Manchester. "Ideally, I'd like to get out of the game right now, but my

Porridge grass (3) Manacle (8)

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13 Guarded (9)

14 Disperses (8)

18 And others (2,2)

21 Orkney bay (3)

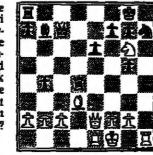
20 Dry fodder grass (3)

11 Run through (6.3)

7 Crew (3)

By RAYMOND KEENE, Chess Correspondent

This position is from the game Popovic - Kosic, Novi Sad 1992. White has deliberately allowed his king to be placed in an awkward position on f1, because he hoped that leaving the king's rook on the open h-file would prove more important. His next move proved this judgement to be good. What did he play?



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c. A style of haircut SLAMMER a. A promiscoous woman b. A celeb's minder c. A prison DOUGLAS a. A rolling stone a. A homosex b. Extremely conservative

b. An axe

c. To betray or sneak

stop fighting. It's almost as if 班 賞 書 書

By PHILIP HOWARD

June for allegedly manipulat-

he is a gangster in a cartel. It's Eubank's promoter, Barry

Hearn, said Eubank will have to go on boxing longer than other boxers because of his expensive taste and lifestyle "Chris will have to go on fighting a lot more than the

average because he does not have average taste." Hearn said. "I think Chris Eubank is going into the record books and will be here in two years." To help him fight the taxman, Eubank has had to change his image. A month ago, he decided to consult a public relations company to help him promote himself

CSS, a sports and public relations company, advised Eubank to soften his image if they were sell him to the public. Which was why

out-of-competition drugs-test-

ing procedures. It was this

inadequacy that allowed Krabbe, and her fellow-Ger-

mans, Grit Breuer and Silke

Möller, to have their original

four-year suspensions lifted in

Eubank yesterday forsook his expensive suit, bow tie and dark glasses for a tracksuit at a press conference to publicise his bout with Gimenez.

"I was aloof because I didn't want people to be familiar with me," Eubank said. "I'm changing things for the better and taking a softer approach because I have got the respect now. People must not see me as a down or a puppet. I want to be seen in a softer light without appearing a fool. I want to be more accessible."

Hearn said: "He came to me the other day and said he was going to see a public relations company. It's a good

'Chris's finances, lifestyle and career will be planned on American lines. We are looking at securing his future." Even when it came to saying

why he was so successful, unbeaten in 33 bouts, Eubank was suitably modest. "Colin McMillan is the best boxer, Nigel Benn is the hardest puncher, Paul Hodkinson the best fighter; I'm the most successful because I can box a little, punch a little, strut a little and talk a little. I can do a little

of everything." But the softer line will not be in evidence in the ring when he faces Gimenez. The Paraguayan has never been stopped in 45 contests and was specially picked by Eubank because "he comes to fight", having survived tough opponents like Roberto uran, Juan Roldan, and

Jorge Amparo.
"The fighting character can't be soft," Eubank said. "I will not be compromising in

# Krabbe targets loophole with appeal



By JOHIN GOODBODY

Krabbe, Breuer and Manuela Derr, who last Fri-KATRIN Krabbe, the world 100 and 200 metres champion, hopes once again to use a day had their second suspensions for four years confirmed by the DLV after admitting loophole in the rules of the German Athletics Federation taking the drug clenbuterol, will be using this argument again when they appeal against the ban at a hearing (DLV) when she appeals in January against her four-year Peter Woessner, the Gerearly in 1993. The trio gave man sprinter's lawyer, said yesterday that the DLV had urine samples containing still failed to makes its statutes denbuterol in out-of-competilegally watertight by including

tion testing in July.

The International Amateur Athletic Federation last week confirmed that denbuterol was a banned substance in out of competition testing and carried the same suspension, four years, as anabolic steroids. However, it remains debatable whether clenhuternl

was barmed in out-of-competition testing in July and several lawyers believe action against

the athletes would be retro-

spective legislation. Woessner said: "The ban must be reduced to something less than four years. The DLV has done nothing about changing its statutes. Its board has no legal right to ban athletes for drug offences in this way.

He said the DLV would be able to ban the competitors only on the grounds that they had acted in an "unsporting fashion". Woessner added: "A maximum of two years would be applicable. More than that

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